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## Sarah Kidd, The Pirate's Wife

Mattapoissett Museum

By Marilou Newell

On March 16, the Mattapoissett Museum with support from the Mattapoissett Cultural Council hosted Dr. Daphne Geanakopulos, historian and author of "The Pirate's Wife: The Remarkable True Story of Sarah Kidd."

Geanakopulos brought to light a woman who has not been forgotten but more likely overshadowed by her husband William Kidd. She was dubbed a female pirate, but her truth is much more complex. Now Geanakopulos takes her readers on Sarah's journey through high-seas booty hunting with her privateer turned pirate husband, to struggling widow four times over and a member of New York's early high-society circles.

Sarah's life is the stuff legends are made of. Yet documentation or even casual mention of this high-status woman was hard to uncover, Geanakopulos explained. "There aren't any images of Sarah." What is known is drawn from her marriages for the most part. There would be four husbands with William Kidd clearly the most notorious.

Sarah's family name was Bradley. She came from England at a young age and as was the custom at that time, married by the age of 15 to the wealthy New York merchant William Cox. Upon his passing, she married her second husband, John Oort, a Dutch merchant who suffered an untimely and somewhat suspicious death, clearing the way for our fine lady to marry Kidd, presumably this time for love a mere two days after Oort had died. "They were the power couple of their day," explained Geanakopulos.

They married in 1691 when Kidd returned from plundering trips throughout the Caribbean. To give us a stunning idea of what constituted normal in the 1600s, the

Kidds' wedding day included watching a public hanging.

As for Sarah, she had already reestablished herself and her children into a position of financial comfort so marrying for money this time wasn't a necessary evil. But we don't know for sure. What Geanakopulos deduces for us in her extensively researched pages is that Sarah was primarily a survivor, a woman whose options for financial security lay in the hands of a patriarchal society. Men had the money, thus the power.

At this point in their story, Captain Kidd was a privateer not to be confused with a pirate. A privateer's job description could



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**On the Cover:** Tabor Academy hosted an Open House on Tuesday morning at the new Travis Roy Student Center, which replaces the former library on the same spot. While the late Travis Roy is most widely known as a student-athlete whose college-hockey career lasted all of 11 seconds, his passion for student life, ceramics, sailing and the big part the Marion campus played in his life is reflected in the building of the new student center bearing his name. Photo by Ryan Feeney

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be simply put as a legal pirate. Privateers were business owners with investors who raided enemy ships for their cargo, splitting the booty with the sovereigns, investors and shipmates. The Oxford Dictionary defines a privateer as, "an armed ship owned, offered by private individuals holding a government commission and authorized for use in war, especially in the capture of enemy merchant shipping."

Geanacopoulos explained the privateers, unlike pirates, served as an auxiliary unit of the English Navy. In contrast, pirates operated under "articles," structured as a democratic society with the right to vote on such matters related to postemployment benefits and sharing in the wealth of goods secured from marine raids.

Kidd, while receiving a commission from the King of England to hunt French enemy ships for their cargo, was not successful. Yet there is the legend of Kidd's buried treasure. Legend it remains, as he told no one of its whereabouts with the possible exception of Sarah.

To secure finances, Kidd turned to pirating with Sarah on board his ship. They would be captured and arrested. It is unclear what punishment, if any, Sarah suffered, but Kidd would eventually be executed (1701) and his body put on public display for several years as a warning to others. Sarah would live another 40 years.

Sarah's fourth marriage after Kidd's hanging produced more children and a comfortable existence. As a woman living at a time when being female generally meant someone owned your body and your soul, Sarah found a way to thrive.

Geanacopoulos imagines her death bed as once filled with soft pillows, a feather mattress and expensive linens, material goods she sought throughout her life. Sarah died in 1744 from what is believed to be diphtheria. If she knew the treasure's location, she was unable to articulate the secret as disease robbed her ability to speak clearly. She took that bit of history with her to the grave. The Kidds' treasure has never been found.

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*The Poet's Corner*

By Hope Bradley Finley

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The skies are blue, the snow is past,

and the March winds have slowed at last.

The song of a bird is music to my ear,

The song of a bird is so sweet and clear.

God is in his heaven, and so all's right again,

and hope springs eternal in the hearts of men.

*Editor's Note: Hope Bradley Finley passed away on January 13 at age 95. The Mattapoisett resident was thrilled to have The Wanderer publish her poems and essays.*

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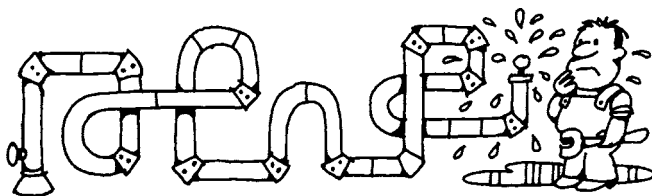
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## Artificial Intelligence Solves Writer's Block

*Thoughts on ...*

**By Dick Morgado**

I've been thinking about writing an essay about all the dogs I encounter on my walks through Mattapoisett village.

Unfortunately, a writer's block has descended upon me, and I have been unable to come up with any good ideas. So, I decided to check out this "AI" thing I have been reading about ... that would be "artificial intelligence," which sounds like an oxymoron to me, but I digress.

I thought it might spark an idea or two. So, I signed up on one of the popular, open-source chat bot sites. I asked it to offer some suggestions for some snappy thoughts on dogs I encounter on my daily walks around town. For the fun of it, I ask it to do it in my writing style. Here's what it wrote: *"As I strolled through the quaint streets of Mattapoisett, I couldn't help but notice the abundance of wagging tails and friendly barks that fill the air. Yes, my dear reader, I'm talking about the dogs of Mattapoisett."*

Yikes, that does sound like me. It went on: *"I saw dogs being treated like family members. They were allowed to run free in the parks, play fetch on the beaches ..."*

Well not likely! I'm sure people treat their dogs like family but walking free in the park? Doggone it, no! When we had a dog, poor old Daisy used to have to walk on the hot asphalt to get a biscuit at the Ice Cream Slip, while her canine cousins and their scofflaw owners pranced across Shipyard Park ignoring the signs that say no dogs allowed in the park.

As far as "play fetch on the beaches," forget about it. That was outlawed long ago. No dogs are allowed to have fun or get exercise in our village because too many owners don't pick up after their precious pets. Some that do, leave the bag on the sidewalk! They apparently could use a good dose of artificial intelligence. But I digress, again.

The bot seemed to know that I am a dog lover when it wrote: *"I was thrilled to witness first-hand the strong bond between the people of this charming town and their four-legged companions from the tiny chihuahuas to the majestic*

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Once I was walking by the general store when three of them commanded the sidewalk while their owner casually perused the shop's window, which required me to walk in the street. As I passed, one of the man's furry friends reached out and sniffed my hand. Instantly, the owner barked "don't touch my dog!" Holding my

tongue, I declined to remind the man that I did not touch his precious pooch, the dog touched me. Avoiding a confrontation, I use my real intelligence to walk on.

The AI bot was not so dumb, it continued: "All in all, I was thoroughly impressed by the dogs of Mattapoisett and the people that loved them." Well, most of them. "If you're a dog lover ..." it wrote ... "I can't think of a better place than Mattapoisett to call home." I agree.

*Editor's note: Mattapoisett resident Dick Morgado is an artist and retired newspaper columnist whose musings are, after some years, back in The Wanderer under the subtitle "Thoughts on ...." Morgado's opinions have also appeared for many years in daily newspapers around Boston.*

## Food Bank Meeting Wider Needs

By Mick Colageo

With pandemic-related aid from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on a schedule to wind down, many area residents could see an end to a monthly assistance check, and that in itself makes the Marion Food Bank that much more relevant.

"A lot of people started saving about 95 extra dollars with their Covid benefit. That's going away," said Karen Gregory, director of the Marion Council on Aging. "All the prices went up, and that hasn't come back down. ... We give people some things here, so maybe they can use their money for other things.

The food bank is hosted by the Council on Aging from its headquarters at the Cushing Community Center, 465 Mill Street in Marion.

"SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) doesn't cover everything. Things like toilet paper, shampoo, soap, things that are just as important,"



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said Gregory, who anticipates more visitors when the next monthly billing cycle hits less-fortunate residents.

The two-year-old endeavor has been operational since January 2021. It has evolved slightly, as volunteers running the food bank have learned more about area needs and organizers have made improvements. One change is the food bank is dealing exclusively with the Greater Boston Food Bank.

"We're trying to respond to the need. There's a lot you don't think about - there's so many gluten-free people today," she said. "It's expensive, too, so we have some gluten-free pasta. If we find something that's gluten-free, we try to highlight it."

The needs of the elderly necessitate the inclusion



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Families with small children have discovered the pantry, so there are now coloring books to occupy them while their parents peruse the shelves.

Another new twist is a visit at the end of March from Whitney of Walt's Mobile Closet.

"She comes in and sets up clothes out there (in the main area of the center.) She's come a couple of times. She did a back-to-school backpack (distribution)," said Gregory.

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## **Talking to Children about Racism**

*Tri-Town Against Racism*

**Jeffrey D. Wagner**

Some people are more concerned with "being called a racist" rather than acknowledging that they might have biases, according to Dr. Tyrone Black, the Associate Head of School at Tabor Academy.

This was one of many eye-opening messages delivered Tuesday night by a panel hosted by Tri-Town Against Racism. The conversation at Tabor Academy was the fourth in a series giving strategies to adults and educators on how to teach young people of all ages how to deal with biases against marginalized groups.

The guest panel featured Black, Kate Excellent, a licensed independent clinical social worker and Dr. Elizabeth O'Shaughnessey, a pediatric neuropsychologist.

TTAR has worked for three years toward creating a more inclusive environment within Rochester, Marion and Mattapoisett.

The panel answered a series of questions ranging from how to talk to youngsters about police brutality against people of color to talking to prekindergarten

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The panel even touched upon the growing use of the “n” word and how young people hear it within popular music and use it as a term of endearment.

Black, who is African American and has southern roots, said more youngsters and educators should delve into the history of the word. He said it was meant to marginalize a group of people, especially in the American south and keep them ignorant.

Black said some people use the word with an “a” instead of “er” at the end as a way of taking back the word and using it to praise African Americans.

“There is a significant disconnect with our young people and history, as if they could rewrite history,” Black

said.

Black said his children know the origins of the word and do not use it within his household. He and other panelists said that the use of these words and uncomfortable conversations should begin with just that – a necessary but uncomfortable conversation.

Excellent urged the group gathered on Tuesday to acknowledge four words that begin with the letter A – awareness, acknowledge, action and accountability.

Excellent said parents and educators should teach children to be aware of their own race and background; acknowledge that there is a history of systematic racism against nonwhite races, an action plan for how to handle it and accountability for owning up to mistakes and past biases.

Black said he once asked white students to reflect on where they would like to eat on a certain day and what barber they would like to visit. This simple but eye-opening experience helped him teach his students that certain ethnic groups do not have the privilege to choose.

Black, who attended an ethnically white college, said he learned that many of his college peers were privileged and could choose where to eat or where to get their hair groomed. Black did not have that same experience growing up.

Panelists said some adults claim to be color blind and such a move is not helpful toward inclusion and battling systematic racism.

“The idea that ‘I don’t see color’ is very invalidating,” said Excellent, also the mother of a black child.

Panelists agreed that such a mentality is a way of dismissing the issue. O’Shaughnessey talked about implicit biases among adults – or a bias that happens unintentionally. Excellent said kids start forming preferences as young as six months old, and Black added that adults need to be cognizant of their actions.

“They don’t do what we say, they do what we do,” Black said.

Black said he gives his children white and black dolls at an early age to show them that there are different races. Black also said that when parents give dolls to

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young girls and trucks to young boys, they should explain that tradition.

That conversation alone could help raise awareness early on about inclusion of transgender and LGBTQ issues.

In general, education and conversations are the best allies toward battling systematic discrimination against marginalized groups.

As far as police brutality toward black people, Black mentioned that parents and educators should acknowledge that police take an oath to serve and protect. Black said youngsters should learn that it's not the police uniform but the person in it who decides to be corrupt or racist.

O'Shaughnessey said such corruption can be found in all professions and all walks of life, and children should learn that lesson early.

After the formal question-and-answer period, many educators and concerned community members asked the panel how schools should handle these issues.

Black said one of the first steps should be a closed-door session with educators who agree not to judge each other, acknowledge their own biases and set out to correct them for their students.

"Have a genuine conversation (and say) this is a judge-free zone. This is about the kids," Black said.

### Marion Joins Health Collaborative

*Marion Select Board*

**By Marilou Newell**

The March 21 meeting of the Marion Select Board was brief but dealt with a serious matter, public health. The board approved Westport's management of the Southcoast Public Health Collaborative of which the town is part.

The intermunicipal, shared-service agreement, joins the towns of Westport, Marion, Freetown, Lakeville, Mattapoisett and Rochester with sharing of public health services. The collaborative is funded by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

An outline of the program notes health equity across the region is a primary goal with the aim to

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promote healthier communities. Two new public health positions that will be located in Westport, a Shared Services coordinator and a Shared Service, full-time, health inspector-trainer will be funded via a grant estimated at approximately \$40,000 and a total grant of \$300,000. It was further noted that additional grant funding will be sought for the collaborative.

A stipulation of agreement with Bristol County Agricultural High School was briefly discussed. Town Administrator Geoff Gorman said that Town Counsel reviewed the agreement resulting in a decision that the town was obliged to pay the school approximately \$29,000 for improvements made to the institution for school years 2021 and 2022 when several Marion students were enrolled there. He said, in spite of the fact that schools outside of Bristol County have no say in the work, they were still obligated to pay a portion of the incurred debt.

In other business, the board accepted a donation of two 10x10-foot swim floats from the Friends of the Marion Recreation Department valued at \$9,000.

Nominations for Inspector of Animals was approved for Susan Connor and Adam Murphy. Also approved was the appointment of David Pierce to the Mattapoisett River Valley Water District; board member Randy Parker commented that Pierce's long history with the district is invaluable. The board further appointed Tad Wollenhaupt as a full member to the Marine Resources Commission and William Horrocks as alternate building inspector.

After recusing himself from the proceedings, Parker was reappointed as the wiring inspector with Stephen Dixon the alternate inspector.

Gorman reported that there had been a meaningful meeting with Eversource regarding increased distributed generation. Gorman offered to invite members of the utility to a Select Board meeting so members could ask questions and receive more detailed information. The board concurred that was a good idea.

Gorman told the board a letter had been received confirming the spraying of swamps in Marion by Plymouth County Mosquito Control with a type of Bacillus found in soils. More information can be found at [plymouthmosquito.org](http://plymouthmosquito.org).

Another notification, this one from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, informed the Select Board of upcoming roadway improvements to several intersections. The work involves making the sidewalks ADA compliant. Work is planned to begin on March 27 and be completed in six weeks.

Gorman announced openings on several committees, saying that information will be posted on the town's website for those interested. Committees with openings include the Historical Commission, Trees and Parks, Marine Resources Commission and the Scholarship Committee. Visit [Marionma.gov](http://Marionma.gov) for details.

The next meeting of the Marion Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, April 4, at 6:00 pm.



## Green Community No More

*Rochester Select Board*

**By Michael J. DeCicco**

The Rochester Select Board Monday night reviewed the 34 articles proposed for the spring Annual Town Meeting and instantly added one more, perhaps the most impactful of them all.

Select Board member Brad Morse motioned to add an article that would remove the town as a Green Community, and the board unanimously agreed. He noted Article 34 is a citizens petition to make this move but felt that this step should come from the Select Board as well because the board agrees with it.

The state provides grants and technical assistance to support implementing clean-energy projects in municipal buildings, facilities and schools to any town or city designated as a Green Community.

But, said Morse, who is also a member of the town's Public Safety Facility Study Committee, in Rochester right now that means having to adhere to needlessly expensive building codes as the town plans to build a new fire station and construct an addition to the police station.

"It will cost us a lot more as a Green Community," he said. "I think this board should support the citizens petition."

Town Administrator Glenn Cannon cautioned the Select Board on lending this support. He said Town

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Counsel has advised the town that it should not mix citizen-petition action with board action and that the board should not actively support a citizen-sponsored article.

Planning Board member Ben Bailey, who is sponsoring the citizens petition, noted his article also moves to rescind the strict "Stretch" building code that he says makes such capital projects too expensive. Morse responded the board's article, in effect, would accomplish that but noted some stretch codes must stay because they are state codes.

The Select Board began the meeting by approving a new full-time Rochester Police officer, Conner Leddin. Chief Robert Small said a full-time spot became available due to a recent retirement, and Leddin was a finalist

for the opening because he had already been academy-trained. In his introduction to the board, Leddin said he is a native of Pembroke.

Next, Capital Planning Committee Chairman David Arancio met with the board for an update. He said his board has compiled a spreadsheet of every item on its list of projects that shows the progress with each and includes everything already funded, needing funding, funding source and for what department.

Select Board Chairman Woody Hartley said that after five years in operation, Capital Planning is making a big difference. He said the capital-budgeting process should include setting the bigger items aside to find other funding sources for them but always start with Capital Planning Committee consideration first.

"The process will continue to evolve," Arancio said. "But all the departments have been a great help."

The Select Board then approved a new agreement with Bristol County Agricultural High School. Cannon explained the school has been asking the town to pay two bills, its yearly per-student assessment and a Capital Bill related to new school construction. The latter is the one the town should not have to pay because it doesn't have a fund for that cost, Cannon said, leading to the need to change the school agreement to reflect that.

Under the new agreement, the town will only receive one bill to pay, he said. But the town will still have to pay the outstanding Capital bills for the last two years.

Next, the board approved its latest draft of the town's Town Counsel Access Agreement. Hartley said the new draft has been sent to and reviewed by all departments. He motioned that pending further comments, the board should accept the current draft with the provision that the agreement will be amended as needed.

The original policy states that to better control how town departments and boards may access the town's legal adviser, such requests must come through the town administrator. A board's request for opinion and/or use of Town Counsel must be approved by a majority vote of the board. Requests to initiate litigation or defense will require approval of the Select Board.

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Lastly, the Select Board met with the Finance Committee to decide on the Cost of Living Adjustment for town employees for FY24. The two boards agreed on a 3% increase. Finance Committee Chairman Kris Stoltenberg recommended this number as being a good one, considering the effects of the economy on the town's budget.

Cannon said this decision is "the last piece of the puzzle. Now the Finance Committee can compile harder numbers for the proposed FY24 budget."

The Rochester Select Board's next meeting will be held on Monday, April 3, at 6:00 pm.

## **Inclusionary Bylaw Debated**

*Marion Planning Board*

**By Mick Colageo**

At member Jon Henry's request during Monday night's public meeting, the Marion Planning Board debated the town's inclusionary bylaw that requires developers of housing projects to include a percentage of affordable units or pay the town a compensation fee as an escape clause from the requirement.

Now that Steen Realty has pulled its first permit to begin construction on a 120-unit rental development off Route 6 near the Wareham town line, Marion has technically broken past the state-required, 10% affordable-housing threshold.

With that, Henry thinks the inclusionary bylaw should go away, incentivizing developers to build market-rate housing that would produce more water/sewer ratepayers and bring much-needed tax revenue into Marion's coffers.

Member Andrew Daniel supported Henry's contention, provided he sees "a shovel in the ground." Steen's comprehensive permit, vetted in Marion only by the Zoning Board of Appeals, has a timeline built in.

"He doesn't have to build the whole thing, we won't know until he builds it," said board member Tucker Burr.

Daniel pointed out that in the 20 years of the bylaw's existence, it has never worked according to the town's intentions.

"I think this bylaw deters," market-rate developments, Daniel said, citing Sherman Briggs' dormant site off of Spring Street. "It's a major expense to have to put three or four affordable ones there. What I think this does encourage is 40B (affordable housing) instead. It's created zero (market-rate developments) so far. What has it been, 20 years?"

Citing zoning restrictions, board member Eileen Marum said that Marion will never be overrun by affordable housing. She said the cost of housing is astronomical and distorted.

Marum recalled how the Select Board reduced the amount of payment in lieu of taxes from \$200,000 to \$75,000 but still wants to know how former member John Waterman calculated the lower number.

Marum further recalled growing up in New Bedford with the diversity in its neighborhoods and school system. "The new thinking is you should have mixed housing ... so you can have a vibrant community, because the middle class has been hollowed out of our gateway cities. Everyone has gone off to the suburbs," she said. "This (proposal) is not for affordable housing, this is basically for middle-income housing. ... Something needs to be done to bring back the 35 gateway cities."

Burr suggested that the lack of large developments might be seen by some people in Marion as a successful outcome of the bylaw.

Member Alanna Nelson expressed concern that without the bylaw, Marion could wind up with a friendly 40B development.

"I think it's pretty tough when you can't afford to live in town. ... I hope that we can provide a variety of price points to live in Marion," she said.

Henry noted that at age 77, he still works. He said he bought his father's house and sold it to his son at half its value because otherwise, his son would not be able to afford to live in Marion.

"We need more taxpayers," he said.

Planning Board Chairman Norm Hills took a cautionary approach toward "sunsetting" the bylaw.

"We talk about the 10% goal. The real thing it does is put us in the driver's seat ... we can deny 40B

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(proposals)," he said, noting that cutting off at 10% is "not a good idea. ... We don't even have the 2020 census data yet. ... Personally, I think we need this, the town needs this. ... Right now, we're facing a declining school enrollment, that's the sign of a dying town."

While member Chris Collings only insisted that any bylaw containing a numerical threshold necessary should be sunset-ed upon reaching said threshold, his focus in the discussion was geared toward the rising cost of living.

The members agreed on one thing, and that's the necessity for a more-substantial discussion on the bylaw. Nelson pitched for a brainstorming session at the next meeting.

When the floor was opened to the attending public, a citizen said Henry is trying to create downsizing homes for million-dollar homes, but seniors need much smaller homes. She suggested such people will be pushed out of town and into Wareham.

"There are a lot of seniors who can't stay in their homes, and there's nowhere else for them to go."

Citizen Barry Gaffey said, despite going from 3,000 square feet of living space to 1,700, he has been struggling the last five years to "live my dream. ... Nothing's affordable in Marion. That's the point, I'll leave it at that."

Marum suggested bringing an expert from the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) to moderate a more comprehensive discussion of the board.

"I can talk to them and find out and let you know. Their goal is to definitely help us if they can," said Hills. Town Planner Doug Guey-Lee offered his assistance.

Gaffey took issue with the lack of a sidewalk on Converse Road as a safety concern when the board



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discussed the town's Open Space Recreation Plan. He also said that the Planning Board cannot adjudicate access issues regarding property he said belongs to a private association.

Hills said he was waiting on Henry's written comments on the Village Style Smart Growth District, and four members asked for time to read the Adoption of the Housing Production Plan before the board votes to approve.

The next meeting of the Marion Planning Board is scheduled for Monday, April 3, at 7:00 pm.

## Ineffective Order Needs New Plan

*Rochester Conservation Commission*

**By Michael J. DeCicco**

The Rochester Conservation Commission Tuesday night revealed that its dispute with the owner of 89 Box Turtle Drive over clearing land too close to wetlands without a permit has yet to be resolved nearly one year after the problem started.

Commission Chairman Christopher Gerrior told the board the property owner and his attorney had promised that a Notice of Intent for work at the address would be filed by January. But that date has come and gone without definitive action from the owner or his attorney. Just correspondence, but little progress, he said. Meanwhile, the board had halted fining him for the unpermitted work last summer.

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The board debated whether to start fining the owner again but settled on contacting Rochester's new town counsel for guidance first.

"I recommend we start fining him again," Commission member Ben Bailey said. "Then the lawyer will come in and talk to us. Eighty-Nine Box Turtle Drive's lawyer has been good at playing rope-a-dope."

Conservation Commission members asked administrative assistant Dawn DiMaggio how much the process of fining 89 Box Turtle Drive has cost the board. She and Conservation Agent Merilee Kelly calculated a total of around \$10,000. Kelly said that is because it cost the town \$75 a day for every fine service.

The commission ultimately agreed to member Mike Gifford's suggestion that it first get the town attorney's thoughts on what should be its next action and whether that should include fining him.

"We need an update or a new plan," Gerrior said.

The board agreed to begin delivering "noncriminal enforcement tickets," fining the property owner on a climbing scale of \$50, then \$100, then \$300 per day in July of 2022. The property owner's wetland code violations involve working closer than 25 feet from wetlands without a permit. The board asked the property owner to file a restoration plan with erosion and sedimentation controls in late July 2022.

Assessors' records list the property's owner only as Connett Woods LLC.

The Commission began the meeting by swiftly approving a Certificate of Compliance for 226 Alley Road, where a single-family dwelling has been built with on-site sewerage disposal, driveway, utility installation and site grading.

Gerrior complimented property owner Robert Barboza; Gerrior noted he was on the commission when the project started. "You turned a field into a fine house lot," he said to Barboza. "Congratulations."

Next, the board approved two \$60 invoices for its two websites but said it is working on eliminating one of them. DiMaggio said she was told the website managers didn't want one site to be "bogged down." That is why some pages, such as the list of hiking trails, were given a separate page, she said. Gerrior concluded the board will continue to pay both bills but will work to combine all its web pages onto one site.

The board then reappointed William Clapp as a full member but left open the associate member position once held by Kevin Thompson. Gerrior said Thompson can no longer serve on the board because of family obligations. The board rejected his suggestion that Snow's Pond ecology expert Michelle Kirby be appointed associate member, even though she spends six months of the year in Ecuador. Her expertise would be useful, but she would not be an in-person member for enough of the year, board members said.

Lastly, Bailey said all of Rochester's bigger ponds are on the state DEP's list of Great Ponds, except one. Snow's Pond is not on that list, even though it matches the criteria of being more than 10 acres. The pond, in fact, measures 55 acres, he said. He asked the Conservation agent to contact the DEP to correct the mistake.

The Rochester Conservation Commission set its next meeting for Tuesday, April 4, at 7:00 pm.

## Amendments Approved for Historic Inn

*Mattapoisett Zoning Board of Appeals*

**By Marilou Newell**

Nils Johnson, owner/operator of the Inn at Shipyard Park, 13 Water Street, has been repairing and renovating the front façade and porch of the historic inn. Work has been ongoing through the winter until issues recently arose when it was discovered that water and gas lines would need to be slightly relocated to meet the building permit.

On March 16, Johnson came before the ZBA to request amendments to the Special Permit he was granted for the porch reconstruction. He explained that once the old porch was removed, it became apparent that to build out the porch and meet code for the placement of the utilities, he needed to add approximately 8 inches beyond the filed plan of record. Johnson also said that the pitch of the first-floor roof needed to be modified to conform uniformly with the second-floor pitch and egress structures for the second floor. "It will be a vast



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improvement over what was there," he asserted.

Johnson said in a follow-up that the goal is to have a structure that is visually appealing as well as safe. The board members agreed. Chairman Sue Akin commented that once finished, the building would look nice. "I think it's great," said member Ken Pacheco. Member Colby Rottler stated, "This way it won't look patchy, and it'll be good for another 200 years."

Amendments were unanimously approved.

Also coming before the ZBA was Steven Kelleher for Mary Kelleher, 0 Fairhaven Road, for a Variance to construct a new, single-family home on a deeded lot. Representative David Davignon of Schneider, Davignon & Leone Inc., detailed that the lot is currently zoned "general business," thus the Variance request. He went on to say the lot measures 100x75 feet and would be a two-story, three-bed structure.

Davignon said the lot would not meet current zoning setbacks but had become a deeded, buildable lot in 1963. He said lot coverage would be a mere 22.2 percent and does not require Conservation Commission review as it was non-jurisdictional. The Variance was unanimously approved.

Also approved was a Special Permit for 4 Grove Avenue owned by Kenneth and Elizabeth Ackerman for the construction of a garage with a second-story, living unit. Also represented by Davignon he told the board that the garage was planned to be 28x34 feet, 952 square feet, with a single-bed living space on the second floor. The structure will reach a height of 23 feet and have lot coverage of only 3.67%. The Special Permit was unanimously approved.

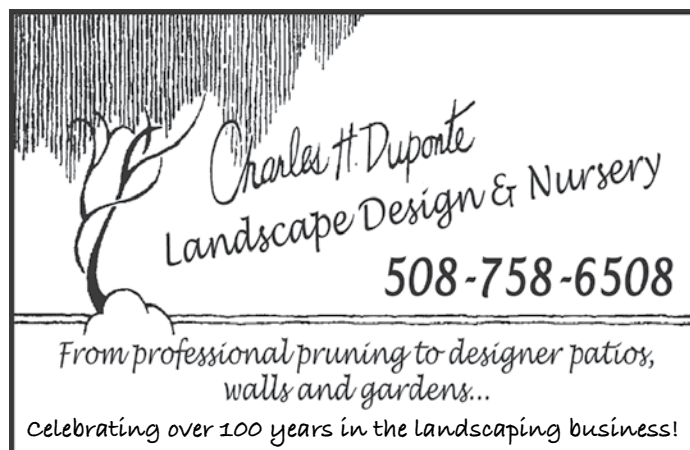
The next meeting of the Mattapoissett Zoning Board of Appeals is planned for Thursday, April 13, at 6:00 pm.

### Budget Brings Teacher Cuts

*ORR School Committee*

**By Mick Colageo**

In the minutes preceding its March 15 regular public meeting, the Old Rochester Regional School Committee unanimously voted to approve a FY24 school



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budget of \$20,970,296, as presented by ORR Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations Howie Barber.

The total addressing the needs of ORR High School and ORR Junior High was broken down into three segments of \$20,182,170 (general operating), \$688,156 (capital and debt service) and \$100,000 (capital stabilization.)

Early in a presentation lasting roughly 50 minutes, Barber told the committee that when compared to the FY23 budget, the FY24 is \$31,000 less.

The implications of teacher cuts did not sit well with committee member Margaret McSweeney.

"It is crushing as a teacher to lose a job ... I know that we are voting on a budget today that will eliminate



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jobs,” said McSweeney, who asked for transparency from the administration in dealing with the teachers affected. Further, she said that towns should invest in education and strongly suggested that families will not settle in the Tri-Towns as a result.

Committee member Matt Monteiro sought clarification on why Rochester’s assessment increased more than Marion and Mattapoisett. Barber said that the tax assessment on properties, enrollment and alluded to other circumstances.

Committee member Joe Pires said that while he understands the business end of the budget, he would like the committee going forward to think about programming that can be considered expendable rather than losing teachers from the staff.

“It does sadden us to have to cut teachers,” said ORR School Committee Chairperson Michelle Smith, expressing hope that moving forward, the Tri-Towns will prioritize education.

Superintendent of Schools Mike Nelson, who guided the process, reiterated the diligence it took to achieve a budget he believes can become acceptable in the Tri-Towns. At the same time, he thanked McSweeney for her comments.

The next meeting of the Old Rochester Regional School Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, April 26, at 6:30 pm.

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## Letters to the Editor

The views expressed in the “Letters to the Editor” column are not necessarily those of The Wanderer, its staff or advertisers. The Wanderer will gladly accept any and all correspondence relating to timely and pertinent issues in the great Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester area, provided they include the author’s name, address and phone number for verification. We cannot publish anonymous, unsigned or unconfirmed submissions. The Wanderer reserves the right to edit, condense and otherwise alter submissions for purposes of clarity and/or spacing considerations. The Wanderer may choose to not run letters that thank businesses, and The Wanderer has the right to edit letters to omit business names. The Wanderer also reserves the right to deny publication of any submitted correspondence.

To the Editor;

After 25 years of enjoying being a year round resident of Mattapoisett, I am saddened at the arrival of the racist, homophobic “wave” that has recently washed ashore in our community. It is no coincidence that the list of books that some town residents are proposing to eliminate from the jr/sr high schools is identical to lists being circulated across this country by homophobic and racist bigots.

Homophobia/transphobia is making a “comeback” with wildly inaccurate, harmful information being passed off as “facts.” Massachusetts was the first state to legalize gay marriage, and that change has resulted in the legal creation of thousands of loving

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families.

Critical race theory (CRT) is actually the accurate telling of our country's history regarding our involvement in the slave trade and the continuing legacy of racism/white superiority in our country today. We all need to face these facts, not hide them from our students.

So why are some people advocating for these issues to suddenly be off limits to students in our schools? The books that are on the "removal" list have won awards, been vetted by librarians, and provide accurate information and perspectives to the students who read them, unlike the wildly inappropriate (and at times pornographic) material teens can easily access on their cell phones and laptops.

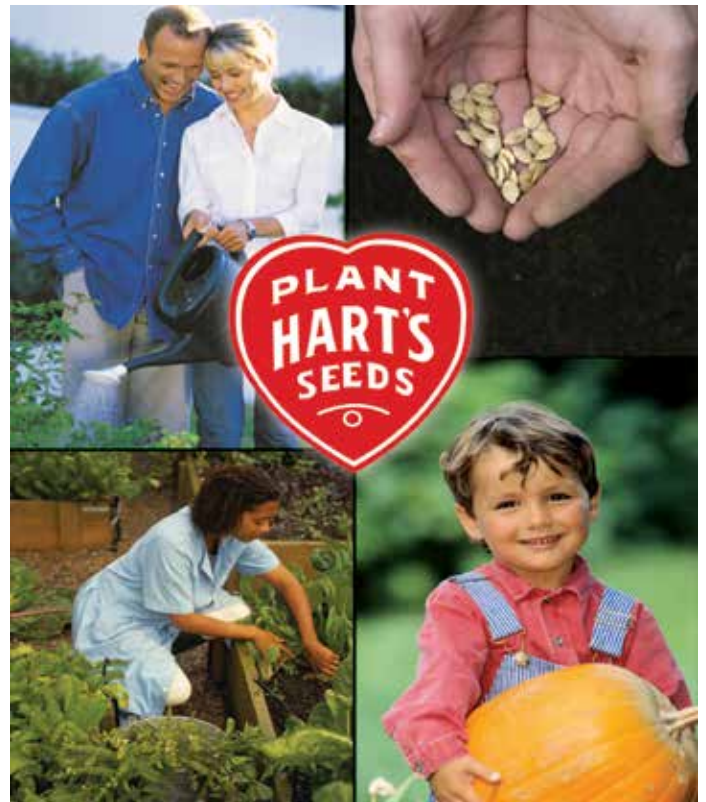
We are a community that cares about one another. We need to stop the growing divisiveness that is not accomplishing anything positive. And we need to elect public officials who are committed to openness and acceptance of differences among us.

This election season, please vote for candidates who believe in a school environment that encourages our students to explore these issues, and to recognize the power, positive or negative, of their words and actions towards others.

Bev Baccelli, Mattapoisett

To the Editor:

I write in response to Gina Despres' letter that



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appeared in the March 9th edition of *The Wanderer*. Ms. Despres has clearly articulated the controversy currently existing in the schools and libraries of the three towns and I applaud her for her effort. I would neither add nor subtract any of her words; however, I would argue that rather than "...people in our society who—willfully or not—prefer going backwards into the segregated and closed-minded times of the 1950s ..." need to go back more than 400 years when people of color were forcibly brought here in chains.

Although I no longer reside in Mattapoisett, I lived there for 25 years, served on the ORR school committee, and continue to care deeply about the residents of the tri-town area, especially its students. I



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am saddened by the articles and letters that have been published in various newspapers and shocked by the attitudes expressed therein.

Ms. Despres has performed an important service and I applaud her for reminding all of us that "embracing our human melting pot is embracing our whole truth, our whole reality, no matter the generation."

Cindy Johnson

To the Editor:

The Poet X is a book that contains a sexually charged poem about masturbation, and it is being taught inside an 8th grade English class at ORR Junior High School. The kids in class are only 13-14. What on earth is going on??

The same book also contains a passage in which the main character desecrates the Eucharist inside a Catholic church, a grave offense in the Catholic faith. Would ORR ever allow a book that blasphemes the Jewish, Muslim, or Hindu faith? No, it wouldn't. And rightfully so.

And now over the objections from parents to a 240-page "graphic novel" with explicit illustrations of sex acts and sex toys, the so-called "Standards Committee" of the ORR School Committee has publicly declared that the library book *Gender Queer* is both "valuable" and "beneficial" for our students. "Valuable" and "beneficial." Let that sink in.



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We have about 3,500 years of the human written word to choose from and only a tiny window of time to expose our kids to the greatness that literature has to offer. Instead, the ORR school district is flinging at our students sexually explicit and demeaning books that suggest that there is somehow virtue in a life immersed in sex toys, hookups on dating apps, self-loathing, sexual dysfunction, and rejecting God.

Let me be clear again: I don't hate anyone, as defenders of these books like to claim. My message is that Mattapoisett, Marion, and Rochester are wonderful towns, and we are better than this crud being heaped upon our kids. What has evolved in our schools over the past couple of years is heinous.

And as a teacher myself for over 20 years, I don't say it lightly when I say that the trust in the staff at ORR which I once held in high esteem has been greatly damaged.

David F. Pierre, Jr, Mattapoisett

Dear Editor,

I have lived in this nice little town of Mattapoisett for a little over 24 years. Recently I was very disappointed in hearing about certain issues that are going on in our schools, and what this is doing to certain students.

First Issue being racial bullying in our schools.

Second issue is the banning of junior and senior high school library books, those having to do with

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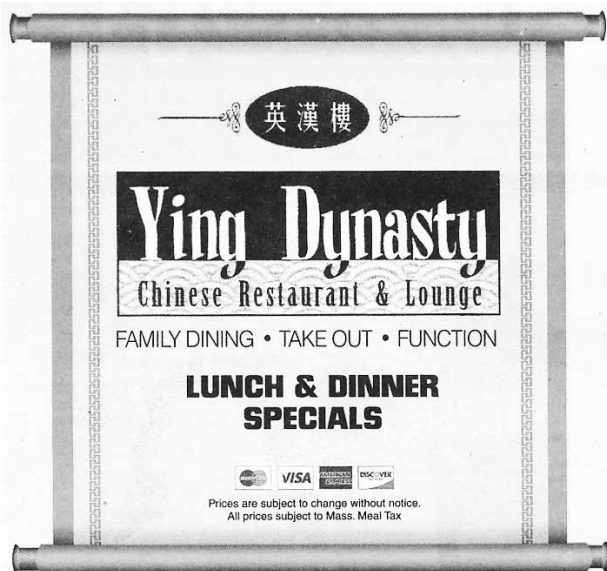


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LGBTQ individuals and those of color. Library book removals are often not always contrary to an appropriate educational mission, they raise serious legal issues of discrimination in education and violation of the right to receive information which is protected by constitutional and statutory free speech guarantees.

While respecting the right of opponents to speak and be heard, schools must take steps to affirm and protect the equality of the experiences of their students and to fulfill their legal duties to ensure a safe, and equitable educational experience.

Diana Harlfinger, Mattapoisett



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## PUBLIC ACCESS Comcast Channel 9 Verizon Channel 36

Thursday March 23, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body  
8:30 AM You and Your Health  
9:00 AM A Conversation With...  
9:30 AM Arts Alive  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM Auto Sense  
11:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment  
11:30 AM Paltroc with Darren Paltowitz  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes  
2:00 PM Sippican Historical Society  
Oral History - Joanna Makepeace  
3:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today  
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000  
5:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
5:30 PM Beacon Hill Report  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
7:30 PM This is America & The World  
8:00 PM Money Matters TV  
8:30 PM The Beacon Hill Report  
9:00 PM Lamb of God Christian Church  
10:00 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Friday March 24, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body  
8:30 AM Living & Learning with Disabilities  
9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club  
11:00 AM Cape Conversations  
11:30 AM A Conversation With...  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment  
1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre

2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience  
2:30 PM Off the Shelf  
3:00 PM Two Grannies on the Road  
3:30 PM This is America and the World  
4:00 PM Paltroc with Darren Paltowitz  
4:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
4:57 PM Sippican Historical Society Speaker Series - Dr. Michael Moore  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band - United Nations Day  
8:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Butterflies of the Southcoast  
9:00 PM The Non-Profit World  
9:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
1:00 PM Gay USA  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Saturday March 25, 2023

6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival  
9:00 AM Health Source  
9:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM A Conversation With...  
11:00 AM Auto Sense  
11:30 AM Science 360  
12:00 PM Mid-Day Movie  
1:30 PM Sippican Historical Society  
Oral History - Joanna Makepeace  
2:30 PM XUC Pro Wrestling  
3:00 PM Paltroc with Darren Paltowitz  
3:30 PM South Coast Matters  
4:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience  
4:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Butterflies on the Southcoast  
5:30 PM Cape Conversations  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today  
7:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000  
8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
8:00 PM Hardvard Krokodilos at ORR  
9:30 PM Registers Report  
10:00 PM Two Tones with George Lopes  
10:30 PM Let's Talk Business  
11:00 PM Classic Movies

Sunday March 26, 2023

6:00 AM Health Source

6:30 AM Reeling - The Movie Review Show  
7:00 AM Lamb of God Christian Church  
8:00 AM Mattapoissett Congregational Church  
9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester  
10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church of Marion  
11:30 AM Tri-Town TV  
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre  
1:30 PM Sippican Historical Society - Nancy Putnam  
2:30 PM Hardvard Krokodilos at ORR  
3:30 PM Paltroc with Darren Paltowitz  
4:00 PM Fur, Fins, and Feathers  
4:30 PM The World Fusion Show  
5:00 PM XUC Pro Wrestling  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today  
7:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000  
8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
8:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - The Climate Crisis and its Solution  
9:30 PM This is America & The World  
11:30 PM Classic Movies

Monday March 27, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body  
8:30 AM For Your Health  
9:00 AM You and Your Health  
9:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:00 AM A Conversation With...  
10:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
11:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road  
11:30 AM Tri-Town TV  
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:00 PM In the Toy Box  
1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre  
2:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
2:30 PM The Collective Chat  
3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today

3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000  
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
5:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - The Climate Crisis and its Solution  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM The Harvard Krokodilos at ORR  
7:30 PM Paltroc with Darren Paltowitz  
8:00 PM Pete on the Street  
8:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
9:00 PM Let's Talk Business  
9:30 PM Building the Future  
10:00 PM Gay USA  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Tuesday March 28, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body  
8:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road  
9:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment  
9:30 AM The Collective Chat  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club  
11:00 AM Arts Alive  
11:30 AM In the Toy Box  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
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2:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today  
3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000  
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
4:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Plastic Pollution  
5:30 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:00 PM XUC Pro Wrestling  
7:00 PM Hardvard Krokodilos at ORR  
8:00 PM Money Matters TV  
8:30 PM Beacon Hill Report  
9:00 PM Falmouth Academy Community Series  
10:00 PM Gay USA  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Wednesday March 29, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind

and Body  
8:30 AM For Your Health  
9:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road  
9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM Sidewalks Entertainment  
11:00 AM Mattapoissett Congregational Church  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
2:00 PM Auto Sense  
2:30 PM Money Talk Tuesday  
3:00 PM A Conversation With...  
3:30 PM Music Monday's with Houston Bernard  
4:00 PM Paltroc with Darren Paltowitz  
4:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Plastic Pollution  
5:30 PM Building the Future  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show  
7:00 PM Let's Talk Business  
7:30 PM Registers Report  
8:00 PM Sippican Historical Society - Portuguese History  
9:30 PM Beacon Hill Report  
10:00 PM Ghost Chronicles  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

## MARION GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 95 Verizon Channel 39 Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion Board of Selectmen  
8:30 AM Marion Fire Department - Nero's Law Training Marion Planning Board  
10:30 AM Marion Conservation Commission  
12:30 PM Marion Planning Board  
1:00 PM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals  
2:00 PM Marion Open Space Acquisition Committee  
4:00 PM Marion Finance Committee  
5:00 PM Marion Board of Health  
6:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing Trust  
7:00 PM Marion Marine Resource Committee  
9:00 PM Marion School Committee  
11:30 PM ORR School Committee

## ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT

## Comcast Channel 95 Verizon Channel 40 Daily Schedule

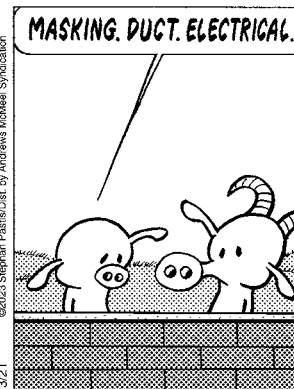
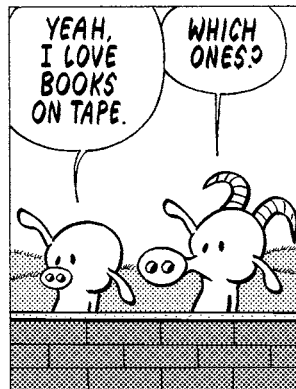
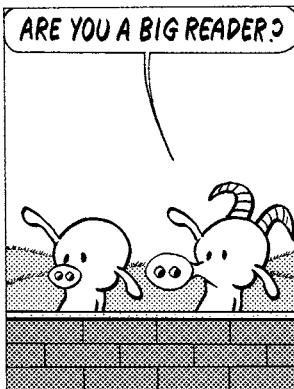
7:00 AM Rochester Board of Selectmen  
8:30 AM Rochester Planning Board  
10:00 AM Rochester Conservation Commission  
11:00 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeal  
12:30 PM Rochester School Committee  
1:30 PM Joint School Committee  
3:30 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen  
5:00 PM Rochester Planning Board  
6:30 PM Rochester Conservation Commission  
7:30 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals  
9:00 PM Rochester School Committee  
10:00 PM ORR School Committee  
11:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee

## EDUCATION CHANNEL Comcast Channel 97 Verizon Channel 37 Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly  
7:30 AM ORR School Committee  
9:30 AM ORR Budget Public Hearing  
11:00 AM ORR FORM Concert  
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly  
12:30 PM ORRHS Pep Rally  
1:30 PM Old Colony National Honor Society Ceremony  
2:00 PM FORM Instrumental Concert  
3:00 PM ORR FORM Concert  
4:00 PM Center School Tribute to Principal Bowman  
5:00 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs Martha's Vineyard  
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly  
6:30 PM Marion Fire Department - Nero's Law Training  
8:30 PM ORR Girls Basketball vs Falmouth  
9:30 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs Case  
10:30 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs Apponequet  
11:30 PM ORR Unified Basketball vs Wareham

## MATTAPOISETT GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 95 Verizon Channel 38

## PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis





## Academic Achievements

**Liza Appleby** was awarded a Bachelors of Arts Degree with Honors from Southern New Hampshire University.

**Daniela Gil** of Marion, **Allison Paim** of Marion, **Felicia Aguiar** of Mattapoisett, **Maya Dube** of Mattapoisett, **Lilah Gendreau** of Mattapoisett and **Chelsea Peterson** of Mattapoisett were named to the 2022 Fall semester Dean's List at Simmons University in Boston. To qualify for Dean's List status, undergraduate students must obtain a grade point average of 3.5 or higher, based on 12 or more credit hours of work in classes using the letter grade system.

## MYC Impacted by the Boatyard Fire

The horrific fire that destroyed Mattapoisett Boatyard last August also had a huge impact on the MYC. Not only our Clubhouse, but all its contents are gone. Years of history pictured on the walls, trophies won by MYC racers, Yacht Club pennants and trophies from visiting Clubs and our regional and national races. All lost.

On the practical side, we lost all the things we used every week during the summer at the Club to make it run, racing supplies and party supplies.

Under the leadership of Commodore Rich Gleason and the MYC Advisory Board, we are planning this summer's racing, cruising, and social events. Our website, [www.mattapoisettyc.org](http://www.mattapoisettyc.org) will soon be up to date with all the new details.

Your help is needed. We ask our MYC family, new and old, to get involved. Membership is paramount to our success whether you own a boat or not. Join MYC and share in the rebuilding of one of the oldest yacht clubs around. Make it Fun.

Soon we will be putting together a list of "needs," but we all know it's participation that will bring us back better and stronger. Please join. Your membership support early in the rebuilding is most important now.

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Scholarship applications are available at guidance offices of Old Rochester Regional High School, Bishop Stang High School, Tabor Academy, Old Colony Vocational Technical High School and Bristol County Agricultural High School as well as online at the Club's website at [www.mattapoisettwomensclub.org/](http://www.mattapoisettwomensclub.org/).



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### Seed Library Ready for Checkouts

The days are getting longer and the air is getting warmer. Have you started planting yet? Just restocked, the Mattapoisett Free Public Library's Seed Library is ready for you. Our seed collection has a wide variety of plant options. Our most popular include flowers, herbs, tomatoes, peppers, beans, lettuce and greens. New this year, we have parsnips, turnips and brussel sprouts. To participate, all you need to do is visit the library and pick out your seeds. Once chosen, you will "check them out."

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### Machacam Club

The next meeting of the Machacam Club is scheduled for Wednesday, **April 5**. We meet at the American Legion Eastman Post on Depot Street. Doors open at 5 pm for social time followed by dinner at 6 pm. Our speaker program begins at 6:45. Colby will be preparing a filling and delicious meal. New members are always welcome. Please contact Chuck at [cwmccullough@comcast.net](mailto:cwmccullough@comcast.net) with questions.

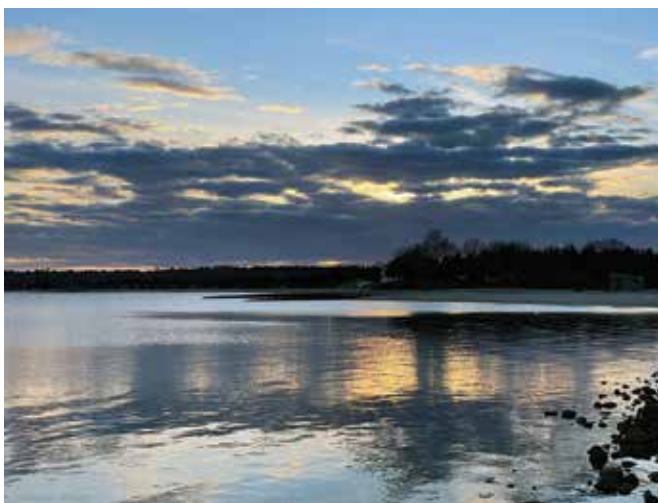
### Iconic Tour de Crème Bike Ride Returns

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## TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



*Brenda Roy, the mother of the late Travis Roy, cut the ribbon on the new Travis Roy Student Center while her husband, Travis' father Lee Roy, looked on with officials representing Tabor Academy. The school hosted an Open House on Tuesday morning, and students took part in the festivities as they got acquainted with their new home away from home. Photos by Ryan Feeney*



*Late day reflections at Munro Preserve by Jen Shepley.*

Sunday **May 21** the Tour de Crème bike ride returns for its fifth year. After three years hiatus due to the pandemic, the Mattapoisett Land Trust and the Friends of the Mattapoisett Rail Trail are thrilled to run this event once again.

Cycle from Mattapoisett through Fairhaven, Freetown, Rochester, Acushnet and Marion stopping for a free scoop of ice cream at creameries all along the routes. Register and choose between an 11-, 25-, and 42-mile ride; the longer you ride, the more ice cream you'll eat. Afterwards, riders join the postride party at Munro Park in Mattapoisett for even more ice cream, food, live music and cold beverages. This is not a race, and riders of all ages and abilities are encouraged to participate.

Registration is now open until **May 15**; and rides tend to fill up quickly, so visit [tourdecreme.org](http://tourdecreme.org) to register and learn more.

Not interested in riding? There are many different volunteer opportunities available; visit the volunteer page of the website to sign up. Fund-raising is also encouraged for riders and nonriders alike. This fantastically fun event is a fund-raiser for the Mattapoisett Land Trust and the Friends of the Mattapoisett Rail Trail who work to improve and expand hiking and biking trails throughout Mattapoisett.

### **FCCR Holy Week Worship Opportunities**

First Congregational Church of Rochester, 11 Constitution Way in Rochester, is pleased to announce its Holy Week schedule. We invite you to come and worship with us. All gatherings will also be live streamed on our website, [www.rochestercongregational.com](http://www.rochestercongregational.com).

**April 2** at 10:00 am – Palm Sunday. Our pastor, Rev. Colby Olson, will challenge us to “Taste and See” that the Lord is good. Palms will be distributed after the worship gathering.

**April 6** at 7:00 pm – Maundy Thursday. This somber service includes Communion, Scripture reading and the gradual extinguishing of lights in the Sanctuary to impress upon the hearts of believers the awful consequences of sin and the magnitude of the Savior's sacrifice. Since this is such a solemn service, we ask that

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# OBITUARIES



**Betsy C. (Dorr) Grassi**, 85, of Marion, passed away on March 8, 2023, in St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford. She was the wife of the late Arego A. Grassi and the daughter of the late Harold and Marion (Peterson) Dorr.

She was born in New Bedford and lived in Marion for most of her life. She graduated from Wareham High School and received an associate degree from Kinyon Campbell Business School.

Mrs. Grassi worked as a bookkeeper for Beaton Cranberry Growers Service in Wareham for 20 years before retiring.

She was a member of Little Harbor Golf Club. She also enjoyed researching her family genealogy, bowling, and American Sign Language.

Survivors include her son, Alan Grassi and his wife, Mary of Wichita, KS; a brother, Alan Dorr of Panama City, FL; a son-in-law, Michael Thompson of Mattapoisett; 2 grandchildren, Kelly Vandegrift (Grassi) and her husband, Robert of Wichita, KS and AJ Grassi of Wareham; 3 great grandchildren, Kaidence Rich, Kaileigh Rich, and Hunter Vandegrift; as well as several beloved and devoted nieces and nephews. She was the mother of the late Stephanie Thompson.

A memorial service will be held at 10:00 am on Saturday, March 25, 2023, at Wesley United Methodist Church, 462 Main St., Wareham, MA. Please join us for lunch at the church following the service.

Donations in Betsy's memory may be made to Hope Health Hospice, 1085 North Main St., Providence, RI 02904.



**Daniel Brian Smith**, 60, of New Bedford, died peacefully in his sleep at home on Friday, March 17, 2023. He was the husband of Mary Stanley-Smith for 31 years and a father to their four kids.

Born in East Hartford, CT, he was the son of the late George and Dorothy (Norton) Smith. He grew up in Avon where he met his wife before they moved to Marion in 1992 to raise their family.

Dan loved his community, he coached his kid's sports team including softball, baseball, and basketball. Dan formed the ORR Mattapoisett Rec High School Basketball league, was the Cubmaster in Marion, and went on many field trips over the years with his kids. He spent many days bringing his dog Rocky on long walks at Washburn Park or riding around town in his blue Mustang convertible. Dan also worked at Comcast for over 25 years before his retirement in 2021.

Survivors include his children, Ali Stephens and her husband Drew of West Dennis, Greg Smith of New Bedford, Nick Smith of Marion, and Julia Smith of New Bedford; his siblings, Steve Smith, David Smith, Brenda Whitenett, and Kevin Smith; his good friend Bill W.; and many nieces and nephews.

Dan's Funeral will be held Friday, March 24th at 10 am at the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Road, Mattapoisett. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 am at St. Patrick's Church Wareham, and burial will follow in

St. Patrick's Cemetery. His visiting hours will be held Thursday from 4-7 pm in the funeral home.



**Theresa M. (McCarthy) Barrett**, 61, of Buzzards Bay passed peacefully March 18, 2023 unexpectedly at home.

Born in Brockton, daughter of Patricia A. (Fay) McCarthy of Mattapoisett and the late Walter F. McCarthy, Jr., she lived in North Easton for many years before moving to Buzzards Bay 5 years ago.

She was formerly employed in the bookstore at Stonehill College and Bridgewater State University.

Theresa enjoyed volunteering for many years for children, in schools and churches. She also enjoyed the company of her dogs, sleeping and game shows.

Survivors include her daughter, Amanda Teles and her wife Tania of Taunton; 3 sons, Danny Barrett of South Florida, Matthew Barrett and his partner Eva of Westbrook, ME and Timothy Barrett and his partner Hannah of Rockville, MD; a brother, Brian McCarthy of Hopedale; a sister, Laura Burrill and her husband Curtis of Scarborough, ME; a sister-in-law, Tracey McCarthy of Buzzards Bay; a brother-in-law, Thomas Cifello of Buzzards Bay; 2 grandchildren, Elaina and Tayden; numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins and friends; her Goddaughter, Erin McCarthy and Godson, Scott Burrill.

She was the sister of the late Richard McCarthy and Patricia Cifello.

Her Funeral Service will be held on Thursday, March 23rd at 11:30 am from the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd. (Rt. 6), Mattapoisett. Her family will receive guests on Thursday morning from 10:30 - 11:30 am prior to her service. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Peace for Ponies, P.O. Box 552 Buzzards Bay, MA 02532. For directions and guestbook, visit [www.saundersdwyer.com](http://www.saundersdwyer.com).



**John J. Forest** of Rochester Ma passed at home March 5th after a long battle with Parkinson's Dementia.

Born in Haute Abourjagane, NB Canada 1939-2023.

Survived by wife Donna (Demers), Children, David (Lori), Tina (Chris) and Grandchildren Raven Bernier, Brooke Steed, Zachary Steed of Massachusetts.

He also leaves his three sons, Gerald and (Krista), Philip (Pamela), Anthony (Rebecca) and Grandchildren Ethan, Amber, and Nicholas all of Canada.

John served in the Army (Vietnam) Purple Heart Recipient, and retired as a Navy Seabee. John also retired from Cumberland Farms.

After Cremation he will rest at Bourne National Cemetery.

A service will be held Friday March 31st 10 am, at Sacred Heart Church of Middleboro Mass. In Lieu of flowers you may make a donation to Parkinson's Dementia.

attendees enter and exit in silence.

**April 7** at 7:00 pm – Good Friday. This Good Friday gathering will include Communion and a special message called “The Tombs Broke Open.”

**April 9** – Resurrection Sunday. Our sunrise gathering begins at 7:30 am on the Church Green and will be followed by a free Easter breakfast in our Fellowship Hall. An Easter worship gathering will be held in the Sanctuary at 10:00 am during which we will celebrate that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is alive. So that we can adequately prepare for the free breakfast, we ask that you call the church office at 508-763-4314 by **April 2** to let us know you’re coming.

### Auditions at the MAC

The Marion Art Center (the MAC) Theater announces open auditions for the June 2023 production of *Belles*, written by Mark Dunn and directed by Kate Sorensen-Young. Told in “two acts and 45 phone calls,” *Belles* visits six southern sisters, who, over the course of an autumn weekend, seek to bridge the physical and emotional distance between them via the telephone, and in the process come to terms with their shattered family history. The gold standard among Mr. Dunn’s many plays about southern women and offering very strong roles for an ensemble of six actresses, *Belles* continues to pack an emotional punch after all these years.

Auditions will be held in the MAC’s Anne

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# MOVIE REVIEW

## Grisly Bear

By Rob Gonsalves  
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***Cocaine Bear*.** Starring Keri Russell and Ray Liotta. Directed by Elizabeth Banks. Running time: 95 minutes. MPAA rating: R. Now in theaters and on streaming home video.

A movie like *Cocaine Bear* has to do what it says on the tin, and it does. A big bear gets into a fumbled stash of cocaine out in the woods, and it kills people. The film is a horror-comedy — full of blood and guts, but somehow the director, Elizabeth Banks, keeps the proceedings as light as possible. She doesn't want to bum us out or, particularly, to gross us out (although there are several nasty, messy kills, not all of them at the hands — er, paws — of the bear). She wants to entertain us. Set in 1985, when the actual events that inspired the movie took place, *Cocaine Bear* is short and, yes, kind of sweet. Banks and screenwriter Jimmy Warden make most of the characters likable by giving them identifiable quirks and needs. Even the piece's real villain, drug dealer Syd (Ray Liotta in one of his final roles), has recognizable resentments and fears.

This is notable, because *Cocaine Bear*, of all movies, did not need to go the extra mile to flesh out the characters, thus making us care if they wind up as bear scat. It could just as easily have coasted on its absurdist premise and fed stick figures into the powdery maw of the beast. But the script sets several groups in motion, sometimes at cross-purposes, all heading towards the bear. Even the tourist couple whose troubles kick the movie off seem to have a history in back of the film and a hoped-for future in front of it. Once the threat is established, we get to know the threatened. Sari (Keri Russell) is a busy nurse who goes looking for her teenage daughter in the woods. Daveed (O'Shea Jackson Jr.) and Eddie (Alden Ehrenreich) go looking for the cocaine, at Syd's command. A park ranger (Margo Martindale) and wildlife activist (Jesse Tyler Ferguson) get involved.

Most of this goes like a shot. Banks attends to the humans and their plot threads, almost at the expense of the bear, who just wants a quiet place to scarf down some cocaine and a side order of severed leg. Banks' amused affection extends to the bear (who, it turns out,



has kids). The bear's scenes are achieved with a computer, but the movie doesn't feel like a CG demo. Some tense sequences have little to do with the bear at all, such as the standoff between Daveed and a cop (Isiah Whitlock Jr.) standing atop a gazebo. The cop seems to be there to bring a cute, foofy little dog into the movie (don't worry, no harm befalls her). You might question why the dog is there, as well as the other cop who looks after her, but there's a payoff later, and Banks pulls it off without undue throttling of our heartstrings. Banks has described the movie as "the bear's revenge tale" — the actual cocaine bear didn't kill anyone — and the movie believes in redemption. The park ranger and her hypothetical love interest are handled a little cavalierly and cartoonishly, but no matter how warmly Banks paints the characters, the deaths in a movie like this have to come on schedule.

*Cocaine Bear* has the structure of a slasher movie (the '80s), though it owes a lot to the animals-attack subgenre of the '70s, which were essentially proto-slashers with Ungentle Ben or whatever else (birds, bees, frogs, rabbits — yes, rabbits, I'm not kidding) menacing the dwindling human population. The it-is-what-it-is title has drawn comparisons to *Snakes on a Plane*, though this film doesn't depend for most of its effect on seeing it with a packed and snarky audience on opening night. I have now seen two out of three Banks-directed films (her *Charlie's Angels* reboot from 2019 was well-meaning but kind of null), and this one sticks with me for its unstable but winning mix of heart and gore. The tone is a very tricky needle to thread, but Banks does it. And the box office has rewarded her: *Cocaine Bear* made \$3.8 million on its fourth weekend in theaters despite having been available to stream since March 14. That's word of mouth: "Hey, you gotta see this, it's fun, I'll go see it again with you." Banks, an amiable working actor for decades, has earned this modest triumph.



Braitmayer Webb Theater on Saturday, **April 1**, 6:00-8:00 pm and Sunday, **April 2**, 1:00-3:00 pm. The MAC is located at 80 Pleasant Street in Marion. A total of eight performance dates are scheduled: **June 9-11, 16-17, 23-25, 2023**. Some dates may be subject to change. Evening shows begin at 7:30 pm, while Sunday matinees begin at 2:00 pm.

Auditions will be from the script, and actors should contact the director for a copy of the sides pertinent to the role you are seeking. Anyone interested who cannot make it to audition on these dates may also contact the director to request an alternative time. For contact information and to view the announcement online, visit [marionartcenter.org/auditions](http://marionartcenter.org/auditions). Ages and genders are flexible at the discretion of the director and depending on the final ensemble. All races, colors, sizes, genders, gender-identities and experience levels welcome. Only fully vaccinated actors will be considered for roles.

The cast of characters includes six sisters over varying ages as they explore themes of gender, sexuality, family, trauma, intimacy and what it means to be a woman. Available roles include: Peggy Reece (the eldest; Memphis, TN); Aneece Walker (second eldest sister; Philadelphia, PA); Audrey Hart (middle daughter, amateur ventriloquist; Colliertown, MS); Dust Walker (middle child, non-binary or trans; Elk Run, WA); Roseanne Johnson (2nd youngest, preacher's wife; Atlanta, GA); Paige Walker (the baby; Austin, TX.)

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Old Rochester Regional F.O.R.M. Concert. Photos courtesy of ORR School District



Rosie from Mattapoisett is ready to meet and greet her neighbors with her dad, Joey Machado.



The Marion Museum of Natural History would like to thank Karen Alves Cronin and our volunteer parents for the wonderful program March 15. First, Karen showed us how gravity and a simple bucket suspended on a line and filled with paint can produce beautiful paintings. The students painted their canvases with a colorful background and then placed them under the suspended bucket pendulum. When filled with paint and rotated over the canvases, the forces of gravity and rotation created magical images. We then worked on a mobile of a North Atlantic Right Whale, in keeping with the museum's new mural. The whales were constructed with multiple layers of carefully cut cardboard and when put together, formed a 3D animal with flapping flippers (pectoral fins.) A great time was had by all! Upcoming after-school and summer programs may be viewed on the museum's website: [www.marionmuseum.org](http://www.marionmuseum.org). Photo by Elizabeth Leidhold

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"We are so grateful to everyone who has donated to us to bring this vision to light. When we started NGMF, our goal was to reach out and support other young people like Nolan to help them pursue their dreams in his honor. We feel incredibly fortunate that we can now share this with everyone, and we know that Nolan would be cheering all of them on." - shared Sheila J. Gibbons, Founder of NGMF.

Winners of The Music Career Mastermind three-month virtual Artist Development Program are both from Massachusetts, Kerry Driscoll, 18 (Music Theatre Accelerator) and Jorge R Carrillo, 17 (Music Career Accelerator.)

Winners of the General Arts Grants are: Emma Bowman, 18 from Virginia; Joe Connelly, 17 from Pennsylvania; Katelyn Craig, 15 from Massachusetts; Oliver Dunn, 16 from Massachusetts; Molly Dupre, 16 from Massachusetts; Anthony Fix, 17 from Rhode Island; Emmilee Jordan, 19 from Rhode Island; Riley Miller, 17 from Massachusetts; Liliana Moreno-Cornejo, 20 from Massachusetts, and Grace Steigerwald, 17 from Florida.

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## MARION

### Log highlights March 12-March 18

- Piney Point Rd – Suspicious MV
- Village Dr – Officer wanted
- Lewis St – EMS/medical
- Front St – MV collision
- Spring St – Suspicious person
- Front St – Brush fire
- Village Dr – EMS/medical
- Point Rd – Identity theft
- Wareham Rd – Animal complaint
- Doran Way – Health/welfare
- Mill St – MV collision
- Wareham Rd – MV collision
- Mill St – MV collision
- Spring St – Follow up investigation
- Wareham Rd – Suspicious person
- Arrowhead Ln – Noise complaint
- Mill St – Found property
- Front St – Follow up investigation
- Wareham Rd – MV collision
- Crapo St – EMS/medical
- Spring St – EMS/medical
- Mill St - Fraud
- Spring St – General service
- Front St – Follow up investigation
- Vine St – Animal control
- Wareham Rd – General service
- Point Rd - Suspicious MV
- Mill St – Follow up investigation
- Point Rd – Follow up investigation

## MATTAPOISETT

### Log highlights March 12-March 18

- River Rd – Peace officer
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- Church St – ambulance request
- Mattaket Rd – Summons service
- County Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Richard III's Ln – Assist citizen
- County Rd – Health/welfare
- Marion Rd – Serve warrant
- Alderberry Ln – Animal control
- Doran Way – MV crash
- County Rd – No trespass order
- Main St – Health/welfare
- Angelica Ave – Larceny/forgery
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- Upland Way – MV violations
- Barstow St – 911 call
- Prospect Dr – General service
- Marion Rd – 911 call
- River Bend Ln – Structure fire
- County Rd – MV crash
- Water St – General service
- Uncas Way – MV violations
- Park St – 911 call
- Fairhaven Rd – Suspicious persons
- Mattapoisset Neck Rd – MV theft
- Brandt Island Rd – Assist citizen
- Acushnet Rd - Disturbance
- Goodspeed Isl - Trespassing
- Acushnet Rd - Disturbance

## ROCHESTER

### Log highlights March 12-March 18

- Pine St – 911 call
- Bryant Ln – 911 call
- New Bedford Rd – Animal control
- Dexter Ln – General services
- Cranberry Hwy – 911 call
- Wamsutta Ln – Burglar alarm
- Marys Pond Rd – Medical alarm
- Dexter Ln – General services
- Marion Rd – Follow up
- Randall Rd – General services
- Cranberry Hwy – Transport/escort
- Dexter Ln - Fraud
- Dexter Ln – Transport/escort
- Higginson Ln – 911 call
- Braley Hill Rd – 911 call
- Martin Cir – Burglar alarm
- Featherbed Ln – Well being check
- North Ave – Road hazard
- Pine St – Erratic MV
- Marys Pond Rd – MV lockout
- County Rd – MV stop/citation
- Pine St - Medical
- High St – Message delivery
- Cushman Rd – Suspicious activity
- County Rd – MV stop/towed
- Walnut Plain Rd – Suspicious activity
- North Ave – Animal control
- Pine St - Medical
- Mendell Rd – 911 call

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit [www.Wanderer.com](http://www.Wanderer.com).



# REGIONAL LUNCH MENUS

## COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

**Monday, March 27:** Chicken cacciatore, penne pasta, brussel sprouts, scali bread, mixed fruit  
**Tuesday, March 28:** Shepherd's pie, green beans, dinner roll, Mandarin oranges  
**Wednesday, March 29:** Pork w/ apple gravy, parsley mashed potatoes, peas & mushrooms, whole wheat bread, pound cake, diet: low sugar cake  
**Thursday, March 30:** Stuffed chicken w/broccoli & cheese, rice pilaf, Italian blend, oatmeal roll, applesauce  
**Friday, March 31:** Spanish omelet, hash browns, pepper & onions, fruit loaf, mixed fruit

## CENTER SCHOOL

**Monday, March 27:** Kayem hot dog on whole grain bun, oven baked French fries, BBQ baked beans  
**Tuesday, March 28:** Zesty orange chicken, fried rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie  
**Wednesday, March 29:** Whole grain waffles, maple syrup, Jones low salt sausage links, cheese stick,

## tator tots

**Thursday, March 30:** Creamy chicken alfredo, warm breadstick, garden salad  
**Friday, March 31:** Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, roasted chic peas

## OLD HAMMONDTOWN

**Monday, March 27:** Kayem hot dog on whole grain bun, oven baked French fries, BBQ baked beans  
**Tuesday, March 28:** Zesty orange chicken, fried rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie  
**Wednesday, March 29:** Whole grain waffles, maple syrup, Jones low salt sausage links, cheese stick, tator tots  
**Thursday, March 30:** Creamy chicken alfredo, warm breadstick, garden salad  
**Friday, March 31:** Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, roasted chic peas

## OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

**Monday, March 27:** Kayem hot dog on whole grain bun, oven baked French fries, BBQ baked beans

**Tuesday, March 28:** Zesty orange chicken, fried rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie  
**Wednesday, March 29:** Whole grain waffles, maple syrup, Jones low salt sausage links, cheese stick, tator tots  
**Thursday, March 30:** Taste of the Mediterranean: Chicken Shawarma pocket, tabouleh salad, melon mint salad  
**Friday, March 31:** Creamy chicken alfredo, warm breadstick, garden salad

## ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

**Monday, March 27:** Kayem hot dog on whole grain bun, oven baked French fries, BBQ baked beans  
**Tuesday, March 28:** Zesty orange chicken, fried rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie  
**Wednesday, March 29:** Whole grain waffles, maple syrup, Jones low salt sausage links, cheese stick, tator tots  
**Thursday, March 30:** Creamy chicken alfredo, warm breadstick, garden salad  
**Friday, March 31:** Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad

dressing, roasted chic peas

## SIPPICAN SCHOOL

**Monday, March 27:** Kayem hot dog on whole grain bun, oven baked French fries, BBQ baked beans  
**Tuesday, March 28:** Zesty orange chicken, fried rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie  
**Wednesday, March 29:** Crunchy cucumber coins whole grain waffles, maple syrup, Jones low salt sausage links, cheese stick, tator tots  
**Thursday, March 30:** Creamy chicken alfredo, warm breadstick, garden salad  
**Friday, March 31:** Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, roasted chic peas

## OLD COLONY REGIONAL

**Monday, March 27:** General Tso's chicken bowl & dinner roll  
**Tuesday, March 28:** Mini corn dogs, fries & baked beans  
**Wednesday, March 29:** Home-made chicken quesadilla, salsa, sour cream, corn & black beans  
**Thursday, March 30:** Meatball sub, green beans & fries  
**Friday, March 31:** Assorted pizza

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For more information and to apply, please visit: [www.nolangibbons.org](http://www.nolangibbons.org).

Earth Day Cleanup in Mattapoisett, Lend a hand to save the land. Keep Mattapoisett Beautiful at the Mattapoisett Earth Day Cleanup on Saturday, **April 22** from 9 to 11 am. Register on the library's calendar of events at [mattapoisettlibrary.org](http://mattapoisettlibrary.org).

Volunteers will meet at the library to get project assignments and supplies. Keep Massachusetts Beautiful, an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, is sponsoring the cleanup and will provide the necessary supplies. Detailed instructions will be emailed to groups the week prior to the cleanup. Volunteers are invited to enjoy pizza and cookies at the library after the cleanup.

The Mattapoisett Sustainability Partnership is excited to host this cleanup event. The Mattapoisett Sustainability Partnership got its start during a grant initiative at the library, Start Locally – Live Sustainably. The group continues to meet and is taking on projects to raise awareness about food waste, recycling, and climate change. New members are always welcome to join and upcoming meetings are listed on the library's events calendar. Email [mfpl@sailsinc.org](mailto:mfpl@sailsinc.org) for more information about the cleanup or to join the Partnership.

### **From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society By Connie Eshbach**

As many of us know, Rochester once had an airport located on Marion Road (now Dogget Brook Farm.) It was closed at the beginning of World War II, and to my knowledge, no plane crashes occurred there. However, Rochester has been the site of airplane crashes on more than one occasion. In an earlier article, I wrote of two military planes crashing on the side of Mary's Pond killing both pilots.

In our archives at the museum, I found a report

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of another less deadly crash that happened on March 20, 1982. A Hyannis couple was heading to Hartford, Connecticut in their six-seater Cherokee single-engine plane when they began to experience engine trouble. They were seven miles east of New Bedford when the pilot sent out a call for help that was picked up by the Otis Air National Guard Base radar. The call was recorded at 9:57 am, and a Coast Guard helicopter flying over Cape Cod was notified one minute later and reached the scene of the crash by 10:11 am.

The helicopter located the crashed plane helped by its emergency locator transmitter. Rochester Police and Fire were soon on the scene in the woods near the cranberry bog off of Dexter Road and began rendering aid. While both of the plane's occupants suffered broken bones and other injuries, they were conscious when emergency services arrived.



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## ACROSS

- 1 Pop's partner  
4 Hooded serpent  
9 Bygone ruler  
13 Tavern seats  
19 Nuptial promise  
20 Popular typeface  
21 Possesses, in the Bible  
22 Is unable to  
23 "Cocoon" co-star  
25 Red gem  
26 Singer Keys  
27 Talk formally  
28 "Never on Sunday" star  
31 Suckerfishes  
34 Tickles pink  
35 — do-well (idle sort)  
36 She voiced Elsa in "Frozen"  
39 Piggens  
42 "Desperate Housewives" character  
43 Dickens' "Tiny" lad  
46 Conclude  
47 By means of  
50 18th Constitution addition  
57 Tehran dweller  
58 Restroom, informally

- 59 "— ching!"  
60 1983 Streisand title role  
61 Popular Toyota model  
64 Person decorating  
68 Brain product  
69 Eden woman  
70 It's south of San Diego, California  
74 "Nunnery" has three  
75 Tee off  
77 Political activist — X  
78 "No, No, —" (old musical)  
80 "Find — and fill it"  
82 Of a maritime mil. branch  
83 Lofty poem  
86 These, to Gabriela  
87 Swede transplanted to the U.S., say  
93 In position  
94 Tycoon Onassis  
95 Olympic code for Quito's country  
96 Roman 2,051  
97 Earp of Tombstone  
99 "Desk Set" actress

- 106 Me, myself —  
109 Stay  
112 Way to watch a film at home  
113 Rapid transit system of a large Spanish city  
118 Footways  
119 First-year athlete  
120 Use a wand reader on  
121 Jim Croce hit that's apt for eight answers in this puzzle  
124 Current flow measure  
125 Comic Idle  
126 Arctic  
127 Gun, in slang  
128 Magoo's title  
129 Concluded  
130 "It was — and stormy night ..."  
131 — cone (cold treat)

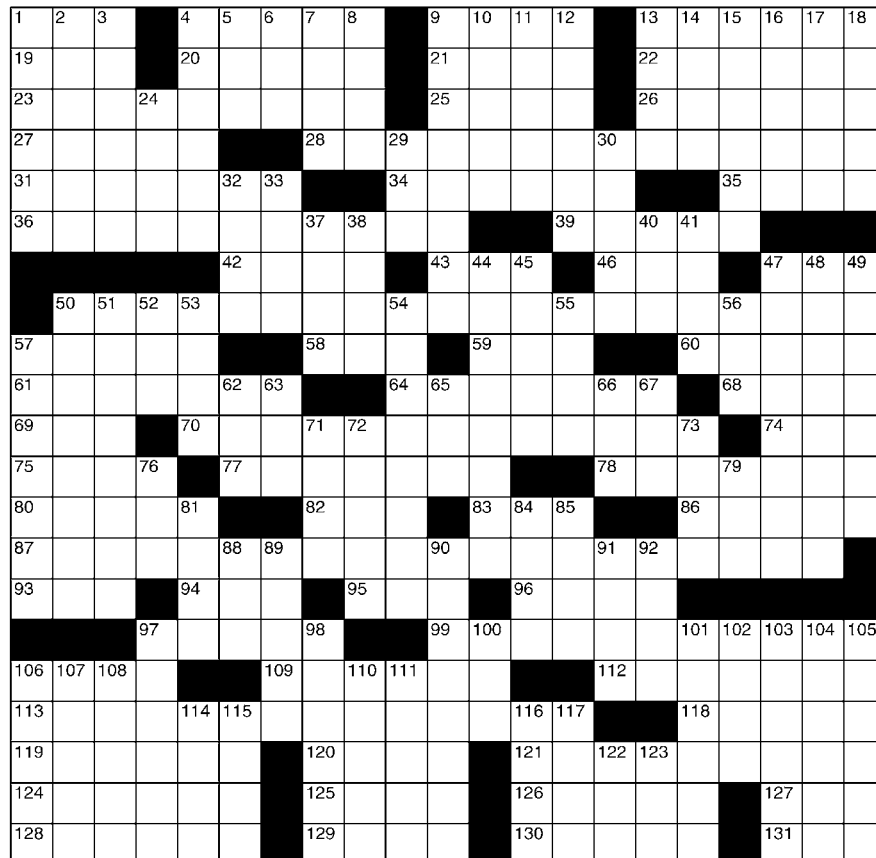
## DOWN

- 1 Figure skater  
2 Having a smell  
3 French for "my friend"  
4 Shutterbug's shooter  
5 Metal deposit

- 6 Pen brand  
7 2011-19 Chicago mayor — Emanuel  
8 Away from the wind  
9 Feel great excitement from  
10 Basking box  
11 Baseballer's turn to hit  
12 Poetry devices  
13 Wound mark  
14 Soft powder  
15 Big Mac components  
16 As if scripted  
17 Longest French river  
18 Step  
24 Heaps  
29 Spike of film  
30 Lauder of perfumery  
32 Prefix with -dextrous  
33 Certain Slav  
37 Pop singer Diamond  
38 Greek Z  
40 Small hotel  
41 Small vortex  
44 Shared, as interests  
45 Phil of skiing  
47 Bitter feud  
48 Determined to do  
49 Map books

- 50 Division of Canada  
51 Very unusual achievement  
52 Yoko of the avant-garde  
53 Sword handle  
54 Ana who won the 2008 French Open  
55 Cat with no tail  
56 "Tell — was dreaming!"  
57 Glacier or floe  
62 Maximum or minimum: Abbr.  
63 Steely Dan album with the hits "Peg" and "Deacon Blues"  
65 NFL's Cowboys, on scoreboards  
66 German "a"  
67 Hitachi rival  
71 Arm bone  
72 Living in — (oblivious to current events)  
73 "Dedicated to the — Love"  
76 Swampy area  
79 PC key  
81 6/6/44  
84 Accurse  
85 Austen novel

- 88 Lyricist Gershwin  
89 Part of TNT  
90 Group of spectators  
91 "Tickle Me" Muppet  
92 French for "nothing"  
97 Arch used in croquet  
98 Tightened up  
100 QB's error: Abbr.  
101 Area for mobile campers  
102 Johnson who directed "Star Wars: The Last Jedi"  
103 Pets' jinglers  
104 Golfer Tom who won the 1996 British Open  
105 Be beaten by  
106 James — Garfield  
107 Actress Watts  
108 Rain units  
110 PC shortcut  
111 With full force  
114 St. Pat's isle  
115 Satyr look  
116 TV host Kelly  
117 Psalm starter  
122 Suffix with pay or boff  
123 Road goo



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# SALOME'S STARS

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Some unsettling facts about a past situation could come to light. And while you'd love to deal with it immediately, it's best to get more information to support your case.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) A straightforward approach to a baffling situation is best. Don't allow yourself to be drawn into an already messy mass of tangles and lies. Deal with it and move on.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Don't be discouraged or deterred by a colleague's negative opinion about your ideas. It could actually prove to be helpful when you finally get around to finalizing your plan.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Ignore that sudden attack of "modesty" and step up to claim the credit you so rightly earned. Remember: A lot of people are proud of you and want to share in your achievements.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) A financial "deal" that seems to be just right for you Leos and Leonas could be grounded more in gossamer than substance. Get an expert's advice to help you check it out.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Don't ignore that suddenly cool or even rude attitude from someone who is close to you. Asking them for an explanation could reveal a misunderstanding that you were completely unaware of.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Unless you have sound knowledge, and not just an opinion, it's best not to step into a family dispute involving a legal matter, regardless of whom you support. Leave that to the lawyers.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) An awkward situation presents the usually socially savvy Scorpion with a problem. But a courteous and considerate approach soon helps clear the air and ease communication.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) A calmer, less tense atmosphere prevails through much of the week, allowing you to restore your energy levels before tackling a new challenge coming up by week's end.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Your approach to helping with a friend or family member's problem could boomerang unless you take time to explain your method -- and how and why it (usually!) works.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Someone who gave you a lot of grief might ask for a chance for the two of you to make a fresh start. You need to weigh the sincerity of the request carefully before giving them your answer.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Too much fantasizing about an upcoming decision could affect your judgment. Better to make your choices based on what you know now rather than what you might learn later.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have a way of seeing the best in people and helping them live up to their potential.

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A State Trooper from the Bourne barracks who interviewed the pilot later at Tobey Hospital credited the man with, "great presence of mind which probably saved his life". The pilot, realizing the engine was failing, first thought about landing on Rte. 195, but traffic was too heavy to make that a viable option, so he headed for a cranberry bog that he could see. He almost made it, landing 150 yards short in dense trees.

Coming in at 80 miles an hour, the plane sheared off the top of a tree before crashing. The plane landed on its side, and as you can see in the picture, was pretty much destroyed. It lost the top of the fuselage and both wings. The pilot's leg was pinned under the dashboard, and his biggest concern was the possibility of a fire. He was able to push his wife away from the wreckage and to shut off the control panel.

The couple was treated at the scene by Rochester Police and Fire. It took them more than 15 minutes to free the pilot's leg from under the plane. They were both taken to Tobey Hospital with non- life- threatening injuries. Thanks to the pilot's actions, no one on land was injured.

State Police helped to collect cargo and recover personal items at the scene, and according to the public affairs officer for the Federal Aviation Bureau, inspectors from Norwood began an immediate investigation of the crash.

### **Mattapoisett Congregational Church**

Among the most special times of the entire church year is Holy Week, which commemorates the last week of Jesus' earthly life. Holy Week starts on Palm Sunday, April 2 and culminates on Easter Sunday, April 9. With music, Word, story and scripture, we will observe this special time of year. We hope you will join us and invite a friend to join you.

**April 2** - Palm Sunday - 10 am in the Sanctuary. Wave your palm fronds high as we recall Jesus' entry into Jerusalem.


**April 7** - Good Friday - 6:30 pm Sanctuary open for quiet meditation. 7:00 pm, a Service of Meditation on the Cross

**April 9** - Easter Sunday - 7 am at the Gazebo in Shipyard Park. A Sunrise Service with coffee. Music by Music Director, Michelle Gordon and guest musician, Bob Williamson. 10 am in the Sanctuary. Christ is risen indeed. Traditional family-friendly service. Music by the Matt Congo Choir and guest musicians, Bob Williamson and Kara Lund.

Everyone is welcome at Mattapoisett Congregational Church, 27 Church St, Mattapoisett.

### **High Tea & Treasures Road Show**

High Tea & Treasures Road Show, hosted by The First Congregational Church of Marion on Saturday **May 6**, 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm, will be held at the Community Center, 44 Front Street. Typical of the traditional English



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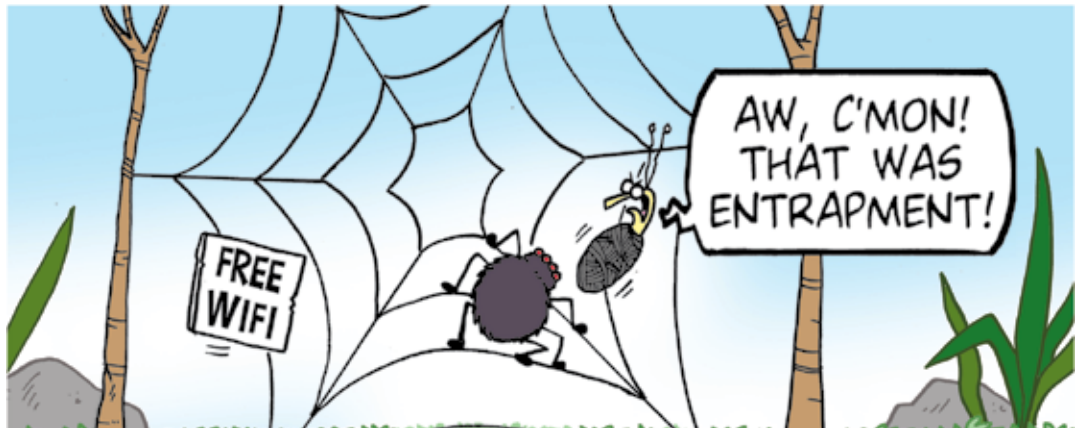
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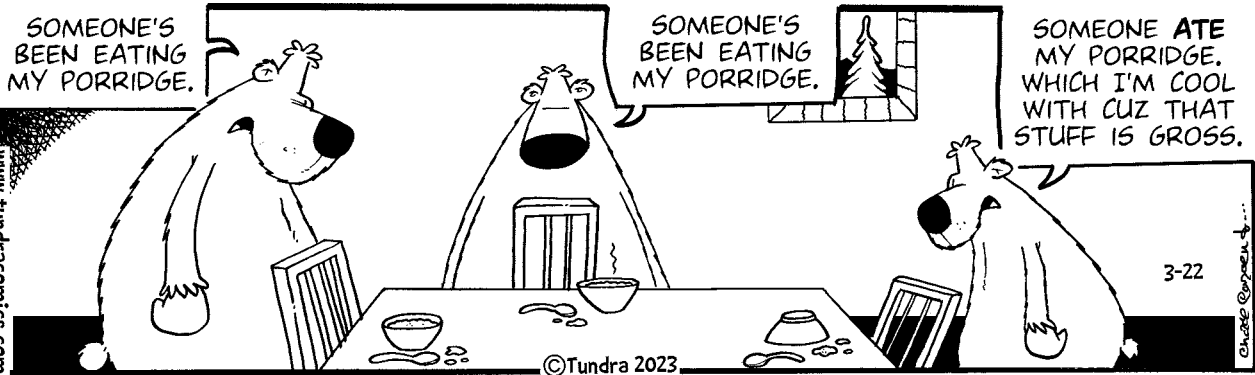
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Marion's local antique expert, Frank McNamee, along with a team of three specialized appraisers, will provide information and commentaries. Each guest is encouraged to bring one item of curiosity to be reviewed by our experts.

Admission: \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. Additional items may be reviewed at \$10 per item as time permits.

Seating for tea is limited to 40 guests. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Church Office located at the Community Center, Tuesday through Friday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, at Penny Pinchers Exchange, 39 Main Street, Wednesday and Saturday, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm or online: [www.marionfirstchurch.org/](http://www.marionfirstchurch.org/).

Gallery seating is available for \$10 per item being reviewed and may be purchased at the door the day of the event.

Additional information is available on the Church's website: [www.marionfirstchurch.org](http://www.marionfirstchurch.org).

### Upcoming Events at the Elizabeth Taber Library

The second Annual Lizzy T Trivia Night Fundraiser. Friday **March 24** at 7 pm - Gather a team of 5-6 members and compete in a battle of wits to benefit the library. Topics include local history, sports, pop culture and more. Find registration forms at the library or on our website. Event will be held at the Marion Music all, refreshments including beer and wine will be available. \$200 team entry fee.

Tables of Content Fundraising event **May 7 & 19** at 6 pm - A fundraising event that pairs a delicious dinner in a Marion neighbor's home with a lively book discussion. Find registration forms including available titles at the library or on our website. Tickets are \$75 per person.

Grow your first plant program Wednesday, **March 29**, 4 pm - Celebrate the reopening of our seed

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library by decorating a flower pot with a funny face and planting your own quick growing plant.

Paint by Numbers relaxation studio – **April 4**, 6-8 pm - Start the month out with some self care. Unwind in our paint by numbers relaxation studio. Each participant will receive one paint by number canvas and paint. Bring your friends, grab some refreshments and get painting. Limit 10 participants, register at the library. For teens and adults.

Eat Your Weeds with Liz Barbour, Tuesday, **April 11**, 6:30 - Join cookbook author Liz Barbour to learn about the art of backyard foraging. Register for this free program at the library, or by phone.

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<p>Town of Marion Planning Board Public Hearing To be held at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street Also Available via Zoom (Hybrid Meeting Option)</p> <p>On Monday, April 3, 2023, at 7:05pm, the Marion Planning Board will hold a public hearing on proposed changes to the Zoning Bylaw pursuant to the requirements of M.G.L. c. 40A, s. 5 and the Town's General Bylaws. The proposed changes include:</p> <p><b>Chapter 7: Boards, Commissions and Committees</b> <u>Article VII: Oath</u> <u>7-25 Swearing-in</u> <u>In accordance with Massachusetts General Law, chapter 41, section 107 all new elected and appointed or re-elected and reappointed members of Marion Boards, Commissions, and Committees shall swear or reaffirm an oath of faithful performance of their duties. The oath will be performed by the Town Clerk before they can take a seat or vote in a public meeting of the Board, Commission, or Committee that they have been elected or appointed to.</u></p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>Chapter 45</b> <b>Article III <del>Wiring Inspector</del> Inspectors of Wiring, Plumbing, and Gas Fitting</b> [Adopted as Art. VI of Bylaws] <b>45-3 Appointment; term</b> [Amended 5-10-2021 AFM by Art. 44] The Select Board shall appoint <u>Inspectors and Alternate Inspectors of Wiring, Plumbing, and Gas Fitting in accordance with MGL 166 § 32, 143 § 11, and 143 § 30 respectively, to a three-year term. They shall, before entering upon official duties, be sworn to the faithful performance thereof in accordance with MGL 41 § 107. A Wiring Inspector and an Alternat Wiring Inspector each year in March; their terms to expire the following June 30<sup>2</sup></u> <b>45-4 Powers and duties</b> [Amended 5-10-2021 AFM by Art. 44] The Inspector of Wires, with the approval of the Select Board, shall make rules and regulations. Subject to the requirements of the General Laws, covering the installation of electric wires within the Town of Marion, and they shall be filed with the Town Clerk. <u>It shall be the duty of the Inspectors to enforce all provisions, as applicable, of the Massachusetts Codes and respond to all emergency calls as required.</u> <b>45-5 Notification of electrical work to be performed Fee</b> Whoever proposes to install wires, conduits, apparatus, fixtures, or other appliances for carrying or using electricity for heat, light, or power purposes, within any building or connected to any building, shall notify the Inspector of Wires in writing before proceeding with the work. <u>There shall be a fee charged for each inspection made by said Inspectors, the amount of which fee shall be determined by the Select Board.</u> <b>Article IV <del>Inspector of Gas Piping and Appliances</del></b> [Adopted as Art. XIII of the Bylaws] <b>45-6 Appointment</b> [Amended 5-10-2021 ATM by Art. 44] The Select Board shall during each year appoint one of more Inspectors of Gas Piping and Gas Appliances who shall serve at the pleasure of the Board: <b>45-7 Qualifications</b> The Inspectors of Gas Piping and Gas Appliances shall be master plumbers as defined by the MGL c.142 §1. <b>45-8 Enforcement duties</b> It shall be the duty of the Inspector of Gas Piping and Gas Appliances to enforce the provisions of the Massachusetts Code for Installation of Gas Appliances and Gas Piping <b>45-9 Fee</b> [Amended 5-10-2021 AFM by Art. 44] There shall be a fee charged for each inspection made by said inspectors, the amount of which fee shall be determined by the Select Board.</p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>64 Town Meetings</b> <b>64-3 Notice.</b> <u>A. Unless otherwise established by vote of the Select Board, all citizens' petitioned warrant articles submitted pursuant to M.G.L. c.39 §10 for inclusion on either an annual or special town meeting must be delivered to the Select</u></p>	<p><u>Board office no later than sixty (60) days prior to the date of such meeting.</u> <u>B. All warrants of Town Meeting shall be served by posting on an attested copy thereof in not less than three public places in the Town, 14 days, at least, before the time of holding the Annual or any Special Town Meeting.</u> <u>C. A copy of the warrant shall be sent to all voters at least five days before the time of holding any Special Town Meeting.</u></p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>109 Animal Control</b> <b>109-6 Beaches, public property, and recreation areas.</b> <b>A.</b> It shall be unlawful for any person to permit any dog owned by him/her and/ or under his/her care or control to be present on any beach owned by the Town of Marion from May 1 through October 1. From October 2 through April 30, dogs may be present on any beach owned by the Town of Marion, provided they are under the control of their owner. <b>B.</b> <u>Any person who owns a dog or has a dog under his/her care or control on any public walk, street, recreation area, or private property of others shall possess the means of removal of any fecal matter left by such dog.</u> <b>C.</b> Failure of the owner to remove dog waste shall be subject to the penalties described in §109-7.</p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>230-2.3 Powers of Board of Appeals</b> <b>230-2.3D</b> Variances. Variances may be granted by the Board of Appeals with respect to particular land or structures from the terms of the applicable Zoning Bylaw when a particular use or dimensional variance is sought and when it specifically finds that, owing to circumstances relating to the soil condition, shape, or topography of such land or structures and especially affecting such land or structures but not affecting generally the zoning district in which it is located, a literal enforcement of the provisions of the ordinance or bylaw would involve substantial hardship, financial or otherwise, to the petitioner or appellant and that desirable relief may be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without nullifying or substantially derogating from the intent or purpose of such ordinance or bylaw. Variances properly granted prior to January 1, 1976 but limited in time may be extended on such terms and conditions that were in effect for such variances upon said effective date.</p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>230-4.2 Table of Principal Uses</b> Principal Uses A. Residential Uses <u>Conversion to 2 dwelling units Addition of an accessory apartment</u> G. Retail uses (under 5,000 square feet) General retail establishments N N Y Y Y Y N K. Miscellaneous Commercial Uses <u>Self storage</u> N N N N N N PB N</p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>230-5.1 Lot, Yard, and Height Requirements</b> <b>Table 5.1A</b> <b>District</b> Residence A<sup>(1)(4)(U)</sup> 21,780 (0.5 acre) 125 35 15 35 Residence B<sup>(1)(4)(U)</sup> 43,560 (1.0 acre) 150 35 20 35 Residence E<sup>(1)(2)(U)</sup> 40,000 150 35 20 35</p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>230-5.2 Exceptions to Minimum Lot Requirements</b> <b>230-5.2C(3)</b> The lots will accommodate a residential dwelling that, when constructed, will comply with side and rear setbacks of the Zoning Bylaw as follows: (a) RA: 10 feet. (b) RB: 15 feet. (c) RC: 20 feet. (d) RD: 20 feet.</p>

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<p>Said residential districts as shown on the <u>most current revision of the Zoning Map of the Town of Marion, Massachusetts, February 1974, final revision date July 1999.</u></p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>230-5.6 Special Permit and Local Initiative Program Dwelling Units 230-5.6B(1)</b>  The Select Board may grant a special permit to build one single-family dwelling on any lot or combination of existing adjoining lots, provided:  <u>(1) The Select Board votes to endorse the application pursuant to the Select Board's authority contained within 760 CMR 45-00 56.00 and grants a special permit pursuant to § 230-7.2 of the Zoning Bylaw;</u></p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>230-6.1 Nonconforming uses and structures</b>  <u>D. Variance required.</u> Except as provided below in Subsection E, the reconstruction, extension or structural change of a nonconforming structure in such a manner as to increase an existing nonconformity, or create a new nonconformity, <u>including the extension of an exterior wall at or along the same nonconforming distance within a required yard;</u> shall require the issuance of a variance by the Board of Appeals.  <u>E. Nonconforming single- and two-family structures.</u>  <u>(1) Nonconforming single- and two-family residential structures may be reconstructed, extended, altered or structurally changed upon a determination by the Building Commissioner that such proposed reconstruction, extension, alteration, or change does not increase the nonconforming nature of said structure. The following types of changes shall be deemed not to increase the nonconforming nature of said structure; provided, however, that in no case shall the alteration to the nonconforming structure result in (a) a structure no more than the lesser of the maximum height allowable under these bylaws, or a ten-percent increase in existing height, or (b) a structure closer to the side or rear lot lines than 10 feet in Residence A, 15 feet in Residence B, 20 feet in Residence C or 20 feet in Residence D; said residential districts as shown on the most current version of the Zoning Map of the Town of Marion, Massachusetts, February, 1984, final revision date July, 1999:</u>  <u>(a) Alteration to a structure located on a lot with insufficient area, where such alteration complies with all current setback, yard, building coverage, and building height requirements.</u>  <u>(b) Alteration to a structure located on a lot with insufficient frontage, where such alteration complies with all current setback, yard, building coverage, and building height requirements.</u>  <u>(c) Alteration to a structure encroaching upon one or more required yard or setback areas, where such alteration will comply with all current setback, yard, building coverage and building height requirements.</u>  <u>(2) In any other case, the Building Commissioner shall refer the matter to the Board of Appeals. The Board of Appeals may, by special permit, allow such reconstruction, extension, alteration, or change including the extension of an exterior wall at or along the same nonconforming distance within a required yard, where it determines that the proposed modification will not be substantially more detrimental than the existing nonconforming structure to the neighborhood.</u></p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>230-6.2 Signs</b>  <b>230-6.2A(4)</b>  <u>No private/commercial signs are allowed on public property, with the single exception of polling locations (with 150-foot setback) on election days. Any private/commercial sign placed on public property may be removed by Town DPW employees without further notice.</u>  <b>230-6.2A(5)</b>  <u>Signs for Town sponsored events may be allowed on public property if permitted by the Select Board or their designated representative.</u>  <b>230-6.2B</b>  Signs in residential districts. There shall be no advertising signs in any residential district, except for:  <u>(1) Real estate "for sale" and "for rent" signs and related directional signs.</u>  <u>(2) Accessory use signs as provided in Subsection C of this section.</u>  <u>(3) Signs for nonconforming businesses that are located in residential districts. These signs shall carry the same restrictions as signs in the Limited Business District (Subsection D).</u></p>	<p><u>(4) Signs for proposed subdivision projects. These signs shall include the name of the developer, the size and scope of the proposed subdivision, as well as the date of the definitive subdivision hearing. The sign shall have an aggregate area of 48 square feet and shall be located on the subdivision's proposed access front.</u>  <u>(5) Such signs shall not be:</u>  <u>a. larger than 3 square feet</u>  <u>b. attached to utility poles or vegetation</u>  <u>c. attached to a truck or other vehicle to be used exclusively or primarily as a sign.</u></p> <p><b>230-6.2D(4)</b>  Temporary banners across a street or on a building, or any other temporary sign, may be displayed for a maximum of 15 days per event or activity when such sign is used to inform the public of an activity or event sponsored by any government agency, <u>or civic, charitable, religious, patriotic, or fraternal or nonprofit organization. Banners from other organizations require the approval of the Town Administrator.</u></p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>230-8 Rear Lots</b>  <b>230-8.4(C)</b>  Lot width is at no point less than 35 feet, and lot frontage is not less than 35 feet. Frontage shall meet all of the requirements contained in the definition for "lot frontage" in Article XI herein.</p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>230-11.2 Definitions</b>  <b>RESEARCH LABORATORY</b> - Buildings, structures or parts thereof constructed, altered or used for the following purposes: (1) general and technical office, nonmedical; (2) research laboratory engaged in research, experimental and testing activities, including but not limited to the fields of biology, chemistry, electronics, engineering, geology, medicine and physics, <u>provided that no recombinant DNA research or technology is involved.</u></p> <p><u><b>SELF-STORAGE</b> – real property designed and used for the purpose of renting or leasing individual storage space to customers who have access to the space for the purpose of storing and removing personal property on self-service basis.</u></p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>300-2.1 Definitions</b>  <b>Lot Frontage</b> – Shall have the same definition as that used in the Zoning Bylaw.</p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>300-3.10 Residential compounds.</b>  A. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide qualified subdividers developers an option to develop a parcel of land under less stringent requirements, where, and only where, the Board determines that such alternative procedures will promote development of the parcel in the best interest of the Town, considering the factors specified in Subsection C below. The submittal of a residential compound plan (RCP) shall be treated as the submittal of a definitive plan for the purposes of the Subdivision Control Law. The developer may, at his option, first submit a preliminary plan. The approval of a residential compound shall not be construed as denial of the right to subdivide the property, and the applicant shall retain all rights to submit a plan under <u>Sec. H-B 300-2.2 and H-B 300-3.2</u>, herein. Applicants are advised to see § 230-5.1, Note 11, of the Zoning Bylaw for provisions regarding reduced lot frontage within a residential compound. The public is invited to attend and comment on this matter and may inspect the full text at the Town Hall, 2 Spring Street, Office of the Planning Board, Town Clerk during normal business hours, or online at the Town of Marion Planning Board website.  Please call or email Terri Santos for the virtual meeting information: <a href="mailto:tsantos@marionma.gov">tsantos@marionma.gov</a> or 508-748-3517. If you are a resident attending the public hearing, we request you identify your name and address for the record.  Norman Hills, Chairman  Alanna Nelson, Vice Chairman</p> <p style="text-align: right;">3/16, 3/23</p>

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<p><b>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT FIRE FLOW TESTING PUBLIC NOTICE</b></p> <p>As part of the ongoing design and engineering associated with the rebuilding of the Mattapoisett Boat Yard, the Engineers have requested that fire flow tests be performed at their Neds Point location.</p> <p>The test will be scheduled for March 29th at approximately 9:00am.</p> <p>The fire flow test may cause discolored water for a period of time during and after the actual tests. The most affected area will be south of Route 6 including the center of Town.</p> <p>Sorry for any inconvenience.</p> <p>Very truly yours, Henri Renauld, Water Superintendent 3/9, 3/16, 3/23</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1189</b></p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Sharon Grant, for property located at 24 Mayflower Lane, identified on Assessor's Map 21A, Lot 41, who is seeking a special permit under Chapter 20.40, Section F.9, for approval of the construction of an additional unit above the garage. The public hearing will be held on April 13, 2023 7:00 p.m. as both a hybrid meeting at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way in Rochester, MA and on Zoom. To join the Zoom Meeting: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89899852039">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89899852039</a> Meeting ID: 898 9985 2039 One tap mobile: (646) 931-3860 David Arancio, Chairman 3/16, 3/23</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT REQUEST FOR BIDS CONCESSION STAND AT SHIPYARD PARK PARKING LOT</b></p> <p>The Town of Mattapoisett is seeking a three-year agreement for the operation of a seasonal concession stand at the Shipyard Park Parking Lot. A set of bid criteria and conditions of the proposal is available online by going to the Town of Mattapoisett website at <a href="http://www.mattapoisett.net">www.mattapoisett.net</a></p> <p>All persons interested in submitting a bid proposal shall mail to: Town of Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, PO Box 435, marked "Concession Bid". Must be postmarked no later than March 30, 2023.</p> <p>Town Administrator's Office 3/16, 3/23</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 10, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (in person and remotely via Zoom **) on the Notice of Intent submitted by Quinn Henshaw for Prospect Road (off Chesapeake Run), Map 5, Lot 188 in Mattapoisett, MA. The applicant proposes to clear trees on the parcel to prepare for the future construction of a single-family dwelling within the buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland.</p> <p>**Contact <a href="mailto:concomm@mattapoisett.net">concomm@mattapoisett.net</a> for the Zoom Meeting Information. 3/23</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER</b></p>	<p><b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION &amp; TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING</b></p> <p>An Open Meeting of the Rochester Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 7:00 pm at Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School regarding a Request for Determination of Applicability filing by Long Built Homes c/o Robert Long, for property located at Clapp Road, Rochester, MA 02770, Map 30, Portion of Lot 7 (ANR Lot #2-2).</p> <p>The applicant proposes the development of a residential house lot which consists of the construction of a single-family house, paved driveway, the installation of a septic system, well and associated utilities together with filing and grading.</p> <p>The applicant's representative is David Davignon, Schneider, Davignon &amp; Leone, Inc, 81A County Road, Unit G, P.O. Box 480, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.</p> <p>This meeting is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch.131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection By-Law.</p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87527032424">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87527032424</a> Meeting ID: 875 2703 2424 Or Call: 1 646 876 9923 Christopher Gerrior 3/23</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE</b></p> <p>Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40A, §5, notice is hereby given that the Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the Rochester Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way, Rochester, Massachusetts 02770 to consider the following amendments from the Town of Rochester Zoning By-Laws:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove Chapter 19.60: Temporary Moratorium Marijuana Retail Sale</li> <li>• Remove Chapter 19.50: Orderly Development</li> <li>• Revise Chapter 22.10: Site Plan Review, Section 1.14 2.: Cost Covered by the Review Fee by removing 53C and substituting 53G correcting a typographical error.</li> </ul> <p>Copies of the article are on file at the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday.</p> <p>Arnold Johnson, Chairman 3/23, 3/30</p> <hr/> <p>Form 299 Date: March 13, 2023 Attorney General's Notice Pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 32</p> <p>Town of Rochester-- Case No. 10844 Annual Town Meeting of May 23, 2022 Article # 23</p> <hr/> <p><u>Attorney General's Limited Authority to Waive Procedural Defects in the Notice of the Planning Board Hearing Pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 40, § 32, if the Attorney General finds there to be any defect in the procedure of adoption or amendment of any zoning by-law relating to the form or content of the notice of the Planning Board hearing prescribed by G.L. c. 40A, § 5, or to the manner or dates on which said notice is mailed, posted or published as required by that section, then instead of disapproving the by-law or amendment by reason of any such defect, the Attorney General may elect to proceed under the defect waiver provisions</u></p>	<p>of G.L. c. 40, § 32. Under those provisions, the Attorney General is conditionally authorized to waive any such defect. ·</p> <p><u>Defect Determined in Notice of Planning Board Hearing</u></p> <p>The Attorney General has determined that the planning board hearing notice relating to the above Article failed to comply with the notice requirements for such hearing established by G.L. c. 40A, § 5. Section 5 provides in part (with emphasis added):</p> <p>No zoning... by-law or amendment thereto shall be adopted until after the planning board in a... town has... held a public hearing thereon... at which interested persons shall be given an opportunity to be heard.... <u>Notice of the time and place of such hearing, of the subject matter, sufficient for identification, and of the place where texts and maps thereof may be inspected shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the... town once in each of two successive weeks, the first publication to be not less than fourteen days before the day of said hearing, and by posting such notice in a conspicuous place in the... town hall for a period of not less than fourteen days before the day of said hearing.</u> Notice of said hearing shall also be sent by mail, postage prepaid to the department of housing and community development, the regional planning agency, if any, and to the planning board of each abutting city and town...</p> <p>Based on the materials submitted to this Office, we have identified the following defect: notice of the Planning Board's hearing was first published in a newspaper of general circulation on April 28, 2022 for a planning board hearing to be held on May 10, 2022. Therefore, the first publication of this notice was only twelve days before the hearing, not fourteen days as required by G.L. c. 40A, § 5. Apart from this defect, the notice appears to satisfy the requirements of the statute.</p> <p><u>Attorney General's Election to Proceed Under the Waiver Provisions of G.L. c. 40, § 32</u></p> <p>The Attorney General has elected to proceed under the limited defect waiver authority conferred by G.L. c. 40, § 32.</p> <p>I</p> <p><u>Suspension of Review of Zoning By-Law Amendments</u></p> <p>The 90-day period prescribed by law for the Attorney General's review of local by-laws is therefore suspended in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 40, § 32.</p> <p><u>Posting and Publication of This Notice</u></p> <p>The Town Clerk shall post a true copy of this Notice in a conspicuous place in the Rochester Town Hall for a period of not less than 14 days and shall publish a copy once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town of Rochester.</p> <p>Filing of Claim That Defect in Notice Was Misleading or Otherwise Prejudicial</p> <p>Within 21 days of the date on which this Notice is published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town of Rochester, any resident of the Town of Rochester, or the owner of any real property in the Town of Rochester or any other party entitled to notice of the planning board hearing may file with the Town Clerk a written statement that the notice</p>



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## ORCTV Annual Meeting

ORCTV will hold its Annual Meeting on Thursday, **April 27** at the ORCTV studio. The meeting will begin at 5:30 pm and will include the election of officers to the Old Rochester Community Television Board of Directors. All current ORCTV station members are invited and encouraged to attend.

The nominees for 2023 are:

Phil Sanborn – Marion seat

Danny White – Mattapoisett seat

Kendall Smiley – Rochester seat  
Nancy Sparklin – Membership Seat

## Yoga at the Marion Art Center

The Marion Art Center will present a yoga new series on Tuesday mornings beginning in April in the MAC's Patsy Francis Gallery (upstairs.) Enjoy an hour of yoga while viewing beautiful artwork in the gallery. Instructor Jo Norton will lead four weeks of yoga classes on Tuesday mornings, 11:00 am-12:00 pm, **April 4, 11, 18 and 25**. Students can sign up for all four sessions or choose from four dates. The cost for MAC Members is \$20 per session or \$70 for all 4 weeks. The cost for nonmembers \$25 per session or \$85 for all 4 weeks. Learn more and register online at [marionartcenter.org/events](http://marionartcenter.org/events). Space is limited to 10 students, and early registration is recommended.

In this class, the basic foundational postures of yoga are practiced to align, strengthen and promote flexibility in the body. Breathing techniques, stretching,

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<p>defect was misleading or otherwise prejudicial. The statement must include the reasons supporting the claim that the defect in the Planning Board Notice was misleading or otherwise prejudicial. This statement must be actually on file with the Town Clerk not later than 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published in the newspaper.</p> <p><u>Town Clerk's Certification of Compliance with This Notice</u></p> <p>After the expiration of the 21-day period, the Town Clerk shall submit to the Attorney General a true copy of this Notice with a certification of compliance with the publishing and posting requirements of the preceding paragraph, and a certification that either (a) no claim was filed within the 21-day period, or (b) one or more claims were filed within the 21-day period. The Town Clerk shall submit to the Attorney General true copies of any such claim(s).</p> <p><u>Resumption of Attorney General's Review</u></p> <p>Upon receipt of one original copy of this Notice with the Clerk's certification, the 90-day period provided for the Attorney General's review under G.L. c. 40, § 32, shall resume. If no claim is made, the Attorney General has the discretion to waive any such defect; if any claim is made, however, the Attorney General may not waive any such defect.</p> <p>Note: By not filing a claim under this provision, a person shall not be deprived of the right to assert a claim of invalidity arising out of any possible defect in the procedure of adoption or amendment, as provided in G.L. c. 40, § 32, and in G.L. c. 40A, § 5.</p> <p>Date: March 13, 2023 Very truly yours, ANDREA JOY CAMPBELL ATTORNEY GENERAL Nicole B. Caprioli By: Nicole B. Caprioli Assistant Attorney General Municipal Law Unit 10 Mechanic Street, Suite 301 Worcester, MA 01608 cc: Town Counsel Blair Bailey</p>	<p><b>THE LOFT SCHOOL OF MARION</b> The Loft is looking for a Lead Pre-K teacher. Please send your resume to <a href="mailto:loftschoolcoop@gmail.com">loftschoolcoop@gmail.com</a></p> <p>-----</p> <p><b>TOWN OF MARION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PAYROLL/BENEFITS COORDINATOR</b> The Town of Marion is seeking a full-time Payroll/Benefits Coordinator. Duties include but are not limited to: Preparing, verifying and proofing payroll warrant and coordinate data entry of payroll; Maintaining personnel files and manuals by updating the Personnel Access database, MUNIS and employee personnel files; Providing employees with information regarding benefits as they are hired, termed or retired; Assisting with benefit questions and issues. Interested individuals should submit a cover letter and resume to the office of the Town Administrator, 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738 or via email at <a href="mailto:dhemphill@marionma.gov">dhemphill@marionma.gov</a> by April 7, 2023. The Town of Marion is an equal opportunity employer.</p> <p>-----</p> <p><b>WANTED DEAD or ALIVE!</b> cars, trucks, farm equipment, construction equipment &amp; tools Louie: 508-951-1374</p> <p>-----</p> <p><b>WANTED junk cars &amp; trucks</b> for salvage &amp; parts. Paying cash. 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Duties include but are not limited to: Assisting in the maintenance of lawns, parks and cemetery grounds, installation of street signs, empty trash barrels, cleans litter and debris from grounds, mows and rakes grass, trim shrubs and lower parts of trees along sidewalks and roadways. High School diploma or working toward same experience doing manual labor or an equivalent combination of education and experience. MA Driver's License preferred. Interested individuals should submit a completed Employment Application to the Marion Department of Public Works, 50 Benson Brook Road Marion, Massachusetts 02738. Applications may be submitted in person at Benson Brook Road, Marion during regular business hours: Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Friday 8:00 am - 3:30 pm or by email to <a href="mailto:jdickerson@marionma.gov">jdickerson@marionma.gov</a>. The Town of Marion is an equal opportunity employer.</p> <p>-----</p> <p><b>Toyotas Wanted</b> Any year, any condition. No titles ok. 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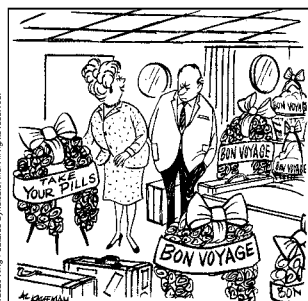
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Jo Norton is a life-long fitness enthusiast. She is retired from her role as VP, Global Head of HR and is excited to devote herself fulltime to her passion for fitness. Jo has spent years studying body movement, yoga, Pilates, barre and weight training. Jo holds multiple certifications and has completed coursework in Anatomy and Physiology at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

### Art for Your Mind at the Marion Art Center

The Marion Art Center welcomes art historian Jill Sanford to present Art for Your Mind: The Fascinating Georgia O'Keeffe on Thursday, **March 23** from 2:00-3:00 pm in the MAC's Anne Braitmayer Webb Theater. Art for Your Mind is an engaging, educational, art observation experience designed to broaden the minds of its participants. Presentations are for people of all backgrounds – artists and nonartists alike. The featured topic, The Fascinating Georgia O'Keeffe, is a collection of images spanning her ever-evolving career. From her early years responding to New York City's fast-paced growth to her famous enlarged flowers to her later years expressing New Mexico's unique, natural beauty – experience the journey of one of America's most innovative artists. Join local art historian Jill Sanford for an enjoyable hour of challenging yourself to see in new ways. Tickets are just \$3 for MAC members and \$5 for nonmembers. Learn more and register online at [marionartcenter.org/events](http://marionartcenter.org/events).

### Rochester Historical Society

If you're interested in learning about all of the town's celebrations from 1793 - 1936 or to find out about all kinds of info on Bees or just get together after the winter to chat and eat yummy refreshments and renew your membership, then you need to circle the dates for our first two meetings of the 2023 season.

**April 19** at 7:00 at the Rochester Historical Museum, 355 County Road. Celebrations



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**May 17** at 7:00 at the same location. Bees

Other dates of interest: Wearing Wareham a Colonial Fashion Show. Put on by Wareham Historical Society. **April 15** at 1:00 at Wareham High School

Dedication of Old Rochester Revolutionary Memorial on **May 7** at 2:00. Please, note time change in front of Rochester Town Hall

**June 11**, Tour of Rochester Center Cemetery Part 2 at 1:00

### Patrick Henry College Chorale Performance

The First Congregational Church of Marion is pleased to invite the community to a special Easter Week event. The Patrick Henry College Chorale, a 42

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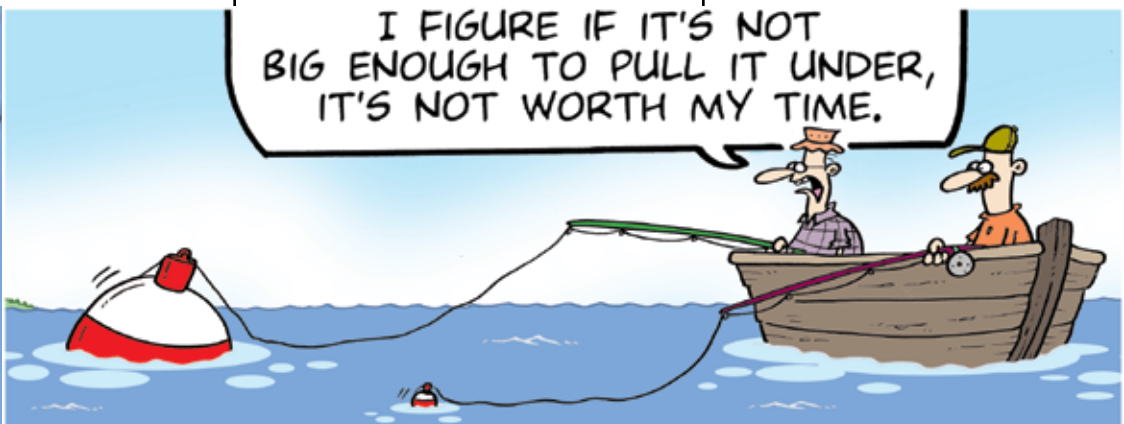


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member mixed voice ensemble, will be performing at The First Congregational Church of Marion, 28 Main Street, Marion on Wednesday, **April 5**, at 7:00 pm. This will be a wonderful opportunity for churches and residents in our area to gather and celebrate Holy Week together with the beauty of music.

Patrick Henry College is a Christian College located near Washington D.C. The Chorale, under the direction of Massachusetts native Rodney Appleton, has grown from a student organization with volunteer directors to an official course offering and touring ensemble. Their repertoire includes arrangements of medieval chants to Baroque masterpieces to modern settings of folk tunes and spirituals. The Chorale has toured in Europe and is now including Marion on their New England tour.

According to Director Appleton, the mission of the Chorale is "to celebrate the greatness and glory of our faithful God through choral music. Our heart is to share this beauty so that the listener might be drawn closer to the Creator of all things."

Please come and hear this wonderful concert on Wednesday, **April 5** at 7:00 pm. The concert is free of charge, although there will be the opportunity to support the Patrick Henry College Chorale with a free-will offering.

The First Congregational Church of Marion is handicap accessible, with an elevator available on the left (Front Street) side of the church.

As a further outreach to the community, the concert will also be live streamed, and the recording will be available later on The First Congregational Church of Marion YouTube channel. Interested people should use the YouTube link found at the bottom of the church's homepage, [www.marionfirstchurch.org](http://www.marionfirstchurch.org).

### Easter Season Community Dinner

The First Congregational Church of Marion is extending an invitation to the community to gather together for a Meatless Potluck Dinner. All are invited and encouraged to come. Pull out your favorite recipes and share one of your favorite dishes – either an appetizer, salad or main dish. It's time to welcome spring and share

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Please join us on Friday, **March 24** at 5:30 pm on the second floor of The First Congregational Church Community Center located at 144 Front Street in Marion. A stair lift is available for those who need assistance. Parking is available at the back right of the parking lot.

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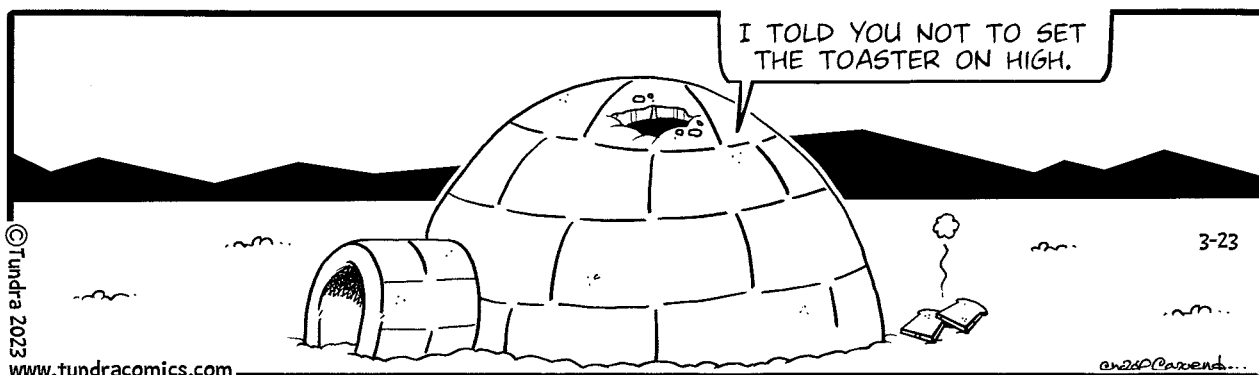
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Mattapoisett Recreation will be opening online sign up for Seahorse Explorer Camp and other one-week summer camps in April. Seahorse Explorer Registration will be open **April 1 and 2** to Mattapoisett residents only. **April 3 and 4** will be open to residents and returning campers. **April 5** will be open to all if there are still any spots available.

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### **Marion Garden Group Open Meeting**

The Marion Garden Group's April meeting will be held at St. Gabriel's Parish Hall (Corner South & Front Streets, Marion) on Tuesday, **April 4** at 9:00 am. This event is open to the public. It deals with an important issue that affects all of us living along the Southcoast and inland: "Rain Gardens: Solutions for Managing Stormwater Runoff." The featured speaker, Professor Tom Benjamin, will present some of his award winning concepts in

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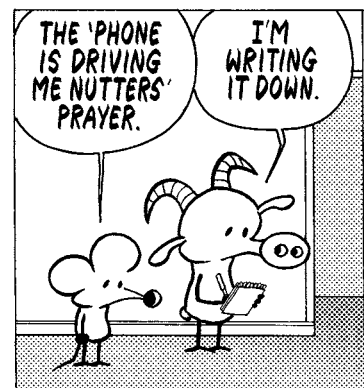
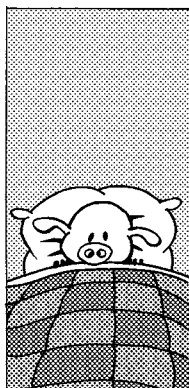
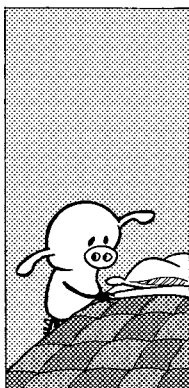
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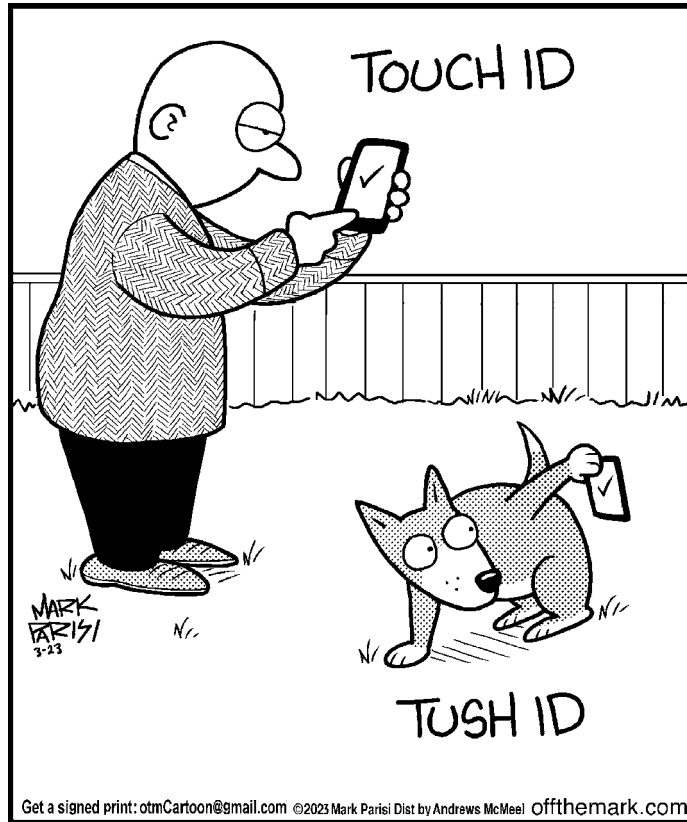
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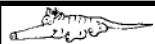




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Friday	March 24	10:47	11:10	4:25	4:12
Saturday	March 25	11:35	11:59	5:04	4:48
Sunday	March 26		12:25	5:44	5:27
Monday	March 27	12:50	1:18	6:29	6:12
Tuesday	March 28	1:44	2:12	7:34	7:07
Wednesday	March 29	2:41	3:08	9:41	8:21
Thursday	March 30	3:44	4:11	10:46	9:51
Friday	March 31	4:54	5:14	11:29	11:02
Saturday	April 1	5:52	6:06		12:02
Sunday	April 2	6:35	6:49	12:04	12:35
Monday	April 3	7:10	7:26	12:35	1:05
Tuesday	April 4	7:42	8	1:16	1:34
Wednesday	April 5	8:15	8:34	1:57	2:05
Thursday	April 6	8:51	9:10	2:36	2:35
Friday	April 7	9:29	9:48	3:14	3:08
Saturday	April 8	10:11	10:29	3:51	3:42
Sunday	April 9	10:56	11:16	4:28	4:19
Phases of the Moon		First Quarter Full Moon Last Quarter New Moon		March 28th April 6th April 13th April 20th	

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## I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer on line and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: [www.wanderer.com](http://www.wanderer.com) and Click on *I Found the Aardvark*

In the March 16, 2023 edition the Aardvark was on page 33

## PUZZLE ANSWERS

### CROSSWORD SOLUTION

MOM	COBRA	TSAR	STOOLS
IDO	ARIAL	HATH	CANNOT
DONAMECHE	RUBY	ALICIA	
ORATE	MELINA	MERCOURI	
REMO	RAS	ELATES	NEER
IDIN	AMENZEL	STJES	
	BREE	TIM	END
PROHIBITION	AMENDMENT		
IRANI	LAV	CHA	YENTL
COROLLA	ADORNER	IDEA	
EVE	TIJUANAMEXICO	ENS	
MIFF	MALCOLM	NANETTE	
ANEED	NAV	ODE	ESTOS
SCANDINAVIAN	AMERICAN		
SET	ARI	ECU	MMLI
	WYATT	DINAMERRILL	
ANDI	REMAIN	ONVIDEO	
BARCELONA	METRO	PATHS	
ROOKIE	SCAN	IGOTANAME	
AMPERE	ERIC	POLAR	GAT
MISTER	DONE	ADARK	SNO

## SCRAMBLERS

### solution

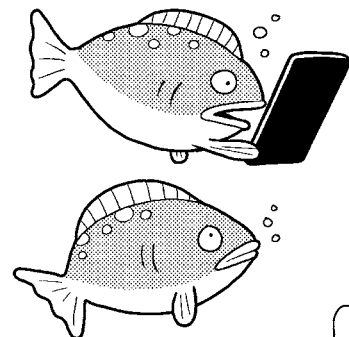
1. Agent
2. Opine;
3. Charm;
4. Adore

Today's Word  
**DOCTOR**

### Sudoku Answer

5	4	6	1	8	7	9	3	2
9	3	1	4	2	6	5	8	7
2	7	8	5	9	3	4	6	1
8	1	2	9	6	4	7	5	3
7	9	5	2	3	1	6	4	8
4	6	3	8	7	5	2	1	9
6	5	9	3	1	2	8	7	4
3	2	4	7	5	8	1	9	6
1	8	7	6	4	9	3	2	5

LOOKS LIKE IT'S GOING TO  
BE WET AGAIN TODAY



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Food Club - 8 oz. Grated  
Parmesan Cheese ..... **\$3.49**

Hormel - 15 oz. Original  
Chili with Beans ..... **2/\$5**

Food Club - 5.75 oz. Stuffed  
Manzanilla Olives ..... **\$1.69**

Cascade  
18-25 ct. Selected ActionPacs  
Dishwasher  
Detergent..... **\$6.99**  
Keep Away from Children

Food Club  
8 oz. Selected  
Shredded Cheese ..... **2/\$5**

Siggi's  
5.3 oz. Selected Plant Based  
Yogurt ..... **2/\$4**

Country Crock - 15 oz. Original  
Spread..... **\$3.99**

Food Club  
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Cream Cheese ..... **2/\$4**

Cape Cod Café - 16 oz. Cheese  
Pizza ..... **\$6.99**

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lb



al fresco  
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lb

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Rotisserie Chicken..... **\$9.99**  
ea

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8 oz. Pkg. Selected  
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lb.



Gold Medal  
5 lb. All Purpose  
Flour  
**\$2<sup>98</sup>**



Food Club  
16 oz. Salted  
or Unsalted  
Butter  
Quarters  
**\$2<sup>99</sup>**



48 oz. Selected  
Breyers  
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Seedless Grapes..... **\$2<sup>49</sup>**  
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Raspberries ..... **2/\$7**

DelFrescoPure - Seedless **BLOCKBUSTER**  
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ea

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